

India Creates History by Winning Gold at the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025

India has achieved a historic milestone by securing its first-ever gold medal in the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025, held in Patna. The Indian Men's Regu team clinched the title after a thrilling 2-1 victory over Japan in the finals, marking a significant achievement in the country's Sepak Takraw journey.

Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025 Overview

The prestigious tournament was hosted by the Sepaktakraw Federation of India under the aegis of the International Sepaktakraw Federation (ISTAF) at the Patliputra Indoor Stadium, Kankarbagh, Patna, from March 20 to March 25, 2025. The event saw participation from 21 teams across multiple continents, including Asia, Europe, North America, and South America.

Performance of Indian Contingent

The Indian contingent had a stellar performance, winning a total of **seven medals**:

- **Gold:** Men's Regu team
- **Silver:** Women's Doubles team (lost to Myanmar in the final)
- **Bronze:**
 - Men's Doubles team
 - Women's Regu team
 - Mixed Quad team
 - Women's Quad team
 - Men's Quad team

Final Medal Tally

Eight countries secured medals at the event. Thailand dominated the competition, finishing at the top with four medals, while India secured fourth place with seven medals.

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Thailand	3	1	0	4
2	Myanmar	1	2	1	4
3	Vietnam	1	2	1	4
4	India	1	1	5	7
5	Japan	0	1	1	2
6	Malaysia	0	3	3	6
7	Iran	0	2	0	2
8	Singapore	0	1	0	1
Total	-	7	7	14	28

Participants and Events

The tournament featured three event categories: **Regu, Quad, and Doubles**, each held separately for men and women. Additionally, a mixed category was introduced for the Quad event.

Participating countries included:

- **Asia & Oceania:** India, Indonesia, China, Taiwan, Japan, Malaysia, Iran, Myanmar, Nepal, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, New Zealand
- **Europe:** France, Germany, Poland, Italy, Switzerland
- **North America:** USA
- **South America:** Brazil

About Sepak Takraw

Sepak Takraw, a traditional sport originating in Malaysia, combines elements of football and volleyball and is commonly referred to as **kick volleyball** in India. The sport was introduced in India in the 1980s in Nagpur, Maharashtra.

The **Sepaktakraw Federation of India (SFI)** was established in 1982 alongside the Delhi Asian Games and serves as the governing body for the sport in India. Its headquarters are located in **New Delhi**.

The global governing body, the **International Sepaktakraw Federation (ISTAF)**, was also founded in 1982 and is headquartered in **Bangkok, Thailand**.

FAQ

1. How many medals did India win at the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025?

- India won a total of **seven medals** (1 Gold, 1 Silver, 5 Bronze).

2. **Where was the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025 held?**

- The event took place in **Patliputra Indoor Stadium, Patna, Bihar**.

3. **What is Sepak Takraw known as in India?**

- It is commonly referred to as **kick volleyball**.

4. **How many teams participated in the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025?**

- A total of **21 teams** participated from across Asia, Europe, North America, and South America.

5. **Which country is considered the birthplace of Sepak Takraw?**

- Sepak Takraw originated in **Malaysia**.

India's golden triumph at the Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025 not only adds another feather to the nation's sporting achievements but also boosts the popularity of this fast-paced and acrobatic sport in the country. With continuous efforts from players, coaches, and sports federations, India aims to achieve even greater success in future international Sepak Takraw events.

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