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World Kabaddi Day

Why in News?

Recently, the **World Kabaddi Day** was celebrated on 24th March at **Tau Devi Lal Indoor Stadium**, **Panchkula, Haryana**.

Key Points

- HIPSA (Holistic International Pravasi Sports Association), along with an organisation named World Kabaddi, jointly organized this year's event.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) recently signed between HIPSA and the Government of Haryana, for globally promoting Kabaddi, was one of the main reasons to choose India as a venue and Haryana for the event.
- The <u>Governor</u> of Haryana, Bandaru Dattatreya was the Chief Guest and the Guinness World Record certificate was presented to the Governor by the Guinness team.
 - The Guinness World Record attempt was for 'Most players in a Kabaddi exhibition match'.

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- It has been celebrated every year on March 24, since 2019.
- Theme: Created by Men, Perfected by Women.
 - The theme was chosen to promote the game among the women and in line with the recent MoU with the **HIPSA** to develop and promote the sport of kabaddi globally.

HIPSA (Holistic International Pravasi Sports Association)

- It is a Not for Profit Company, registered under Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013, headquartered in India.
- It aims to promote and 'Integrate' **Pravasi Bhartiya youth** into India through the medium of Sports with a special focus on those Sports that India is proud of.
- Cricket, Kabaddi, Chess, Kho-Kho, Mallakhamb, Kusti, Archery are some of the Sports that our country has grown to become Internationally renowned.
- Sports, along with 'Yoga as a Practice' & 'Culture for Knowledge' are the Holistic objectives laid down in HIPSA'S vision for the future.

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