

Pro Kabaddi League (also known as Vivo Pro Kabaddi for sponsorship reasons)^[2] or abbreviated to PKL is an Indian men's professional Kabaddi league. It was launched in 2014 and is broadcast on Star Sports.^[3] It is the most popular kabaddi league in the world. It is also the second most watched sports league in India after the Indian Premier League (IPL).^[4]^[5] Puneri Paltan are the current champions of PKL.^[6]

The league's inception was influenced by the popularity of the kabaddi tournament at the 2006 Asian Games. The format of the competition was influenced by IPL. The Pro Kabaddi League uses a franchise-based model and its first season was held in 2014 with eight teams each of which has paid fees of up to US\$250,000 to join.