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Smashes, applause, and drama: CJI Surya Kant and Vikram Nath faced off against ministers Arjun Ram Meghwal and Kiren Rijiju in a badminton match between the Supreme Court and the Union of India.



On Friday, the Supreme Court and the Central government faced off across a badminton net rather than in a courtroom.

Union Minister of State for Law and Justice Arjun Ram Meghwal and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju faced up against newly appointed Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant

and fellow Supreme Court Justice Vikram Nath.

Nearly eighty judges from throughout the nation were in attendance, and many of them were using their phones to record every serve, smash, and drop shot. The CJI had opened the All India Judges Badminton Championship earlier in the day, and the judges had assembled at Delhi's *Thyagaraj Stadium*.

CJI Kant, who was still relatively new to the game and was recovering from an old leg ailment, made the first serve.

It is a little inadequate. A nod to the Indian Union.

The crowd applauded Justice Nath's smashes and cross-court shots, and as the game went on, the CJI's rhythm got better.

A spectator exclaimed, "**Wah!**" after Meghwal's tremendous smash was returned by the CJI.

Every question the judges asked Rijiju and Meghwal had a response. They were also fortunate. Meghwal's smash caught the top of the net. The audience let out a gasp. Expecting a point for the Supreme Court, several started to applaud. However, the shuttle tumbled to the opposite side.

One more thing about the Union of India.

The ministers needed just one more point, with a score of 10–6. CJI Surya Kant made the last serve in an attempt to prolong the match. Meghwal gave it back. The shuttle struck the net despite the CJI's defense attempt.