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Amy Jones stars as England Women beat Pakistan in Vitality IT20 series opener

England Women beat Pakistan by 53 runs in their Vitality IT20 opener in front of a 12,241 strong crowd at Edgbaston, Birmingham.

On her 100th IT20 cap, Amy Jones was named player of the match, leading a fightback after England slipped to 11-4 and adding four catches to her decisive runs, the pick of the lot diving to her left to snatch the edge of Gull Feroza.

Skipper Heather Knight and Jones scored 49 and 37 respectively before

Danielle Gibson's 41 not out boosted the hosts' total meaning England ended on 163-6.

Pakistan began their batting innings brightly finishing the powerplay on 57-2 before spinners Sarah Glenn (4-12), Sophie Ecclestone and Charlie Dean (a wicket apiece) showed their class.

Lauren Bell's three wickets were also a major contribution as the tourists finished on 110 all out.

Amy Jones' post-match press conference is available to watch and download [here](#)

The two sides meet again in Northampton on Friday 17 May.

Women's Vitality IT20 Series v Pakistan Women fixtures

11 May: 1st Women's Vitality IT20 – Edgbaston, Birmingham, England won by 53 runs

17 May: 2nd Women's Vitality IT20 – The County Ground, Northampton, 6.30pm

19 May: 3rd Women's Vitality IT20 – Headingley, Leeds, 1pm

Women's Metro Bank One-Day International Series v Pakistan Women fixtures

23 May: 1st Women's Metro Bank One-Day International – County Ground, Derby, 1pm

26 May: 2nd Women's Metro Bank One-Day International – The Cooper Associates County Ground, Taunton, 11am

29 May: 3rd Women's Metro Bank One-Day International – The Cloud County Ground, Chelmsford, 1pm

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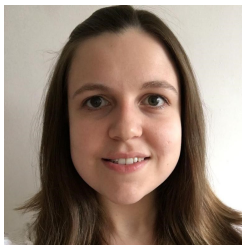
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