

## Sahara Champions Trophy

Match 16 - IND v PAK

18 December 2005

Start Time: 15:00

### 3 INDIA

Kanwal Preet SINGH (PC)	01:56
Prabjoth SINGH (FG)	14:08
Gagan Ajit SINGH (FG)	64:05

### 4 PAKISTAN

Muhammad IMRAN (PC)	33:59
Akhtar ALI (FG)	38:45
Muhammad SAQLAIN (PS)	47:18
Rehan BUTT (FG)	62:03

Time Commentary

70:00 End of the match. PAK manage to hold on to a berth in hockey`s prime annual event, while IND will not be participating in next year`s edition.

65:44 And almost the equalizer for IND but AHMED saves.

64:05 **Goal**  
SINGH deflects a ball across past AHMED.

62:03 **Goal**  
A shot across is intercepted by CHETRI but Rehan BUTT is there to hit in the ball from shoulderheight.

59:22 Another flick from SAQLAIN but CHETRI saves again.

58:53 SAQLAIN`s flick is saved but a second PC is given.

57:49 PC for PAK.

55:23 KHAN takes a shot on goal from the right but CHETRI deflects it wide.

52:38 The defense has chased down the ball and Sandeep SINGH`s flick is deflected high and wide.

51:38 PC for IND.

51:23 **Incident**  
Green card for Kanwal Preet SINGH

49:51 The stands erupt in loud cheers as Kanwal Preet SINGH`s hit has the ball in the net but since it was a hit ball that was higher than the board, and umpire ADELL decides on no goal.

49:18 PC for IND.

47:18 **Goal**  
PS for PAK as a reverse stick shot hits an IND defender`s foot behind the goalkeeper. SAQLAIN sinks a flick into the right side of the net.

43:22 The match is now even not only in the result, but also out on the field where now both teams are active and have chances.

38:45 **Goal**  
A pass back from ABBASI finds ALI at the top of the circle and a hard hit to the bottom left corner of the goal gives PAK the equalizer.

35:00 End of the first half. IMRAN`s flick is deflected just high and over the crossbar. At first, umpire ADELL signals for a third PC but after

- consultation with his colleague GENTLES, no PC is awarded.
- 34:35 IMRAN` s flick is stopped by the defense but a second PC is given.
- 34:21 PC for PAK.
- 33:59 **Goal**  
A flick just under the crossbar from IMRAN gives Pakistan their first goal.
- 33:38 PC for PAK.
- 31:16 A hard shot from the right from TIRKEY but AHMED just manages to deflect it wide.
- 31:02 A reverse stick shot from the far left from TIRKEY but the ball ends up hitting the outside of the net.
- 28:08 Time is stopped for PILLAI who has been hit on the right shin with a stick. He has to leave the field.
- 26:59 PAK have now gotten into the game much better but are still much less dangerous than their IND counterparts.
- 24:19 Another good opportunity for IND with a long ball across into the circle from HALAPPA for SINCLAIR but he slips and cannot reach the ball.
- 17:46 A first opportunity for PAK but AZIZ` ball across and back finds no taker. Seconds later, there is a first shot on goal but CHETRI easily saves.
- 14:08 **Goal**  
SINGH taps in a high ball, leaving AHMED without a chance.
- 11:10 PAK has not yet had a shot on goal and are finding it difficult to so much as penetrate the IND half of the field.
- 09:58 And another attempt with a reverse stick shot from a narrow angle from KHANDEKAR but Nasir AHMED wards it off and clears to his left.
- 08:27 Another shot on goal from IND from Gagan Ajit SINGH, coming into the circle on the left but his powerful shot hits the goal` s outside.
- 06:35 IND play rather aggressively in these first few minutes of the match. They seem to be far more determined to avoid relegation than PAK so far.
- 01:56 **Goal**  
SINGH` s low ball is deflected by a defender but still ends up in the goal.
- 01:13 PC for IND.
- 00:59 The final day of the 2005 Sahara Champions Challenge starts off with the battle against relegation between hosts IND and neighbors PAK. The defeated team of this game will not be participating in next year` s Champions Trophy tournament to be held in Terrassa in Spain in July.
- 00:19 Lineup Pakistan: 5. Muhammad SAQLAIN, 7. Dilawar HUSSAIN, 8. Adnan MAQSOOD, 10. Rehan BUTT, 12. Nasir AHMED (GK), 14. Mudassar KHAN, 15. Shakeel ABBASI, 16. Imran KHAN, 19. Muhammad IMRAN, 22. Zeeshan ASHRAF, 29. Akhtar ALI; INT: 1. Salman AKBAR (GK), 2. Imran WARSII, 4. Sajjad ANWAR, 9. Tariq AZIZ, 23. Waqas SHARIF
- 00:18 Lineup India: 1. Bharat CHETRI (GK), 2. William XALXO, 3. Kanwal Preet SINGH, 6. Ignace TIRKEY, 7. Prabjoth SINGH, 10. RAVIPAL, 11. Gagan Ajit SINGH (C), 23. Arjun HALAPPA, 25. Harpal SINGH, 27. Vikaram PILLAI, 28. Tushar KHANDEKAR; INT: 4. Sandeep SINGH, 12. Adrian D` SOUZA (GK), 18. Viren RASQUINA, 21. V S VINAYA, 24. Adam SINCLAIR
- 00:17 Umpires: Xavi ADELL (ESP), David GENTLES (AUS)