



BDO Hockey World Cup - Men
Wednesday 6 September
15:30

Germany 3

India 2

70' A lucky win for the hosts - despite the GER dominating the beginning of the match, IND was unlucky not to take points from this encounter.

**** Goal: Christopher ZELLER ****

70' FUERSTE passes across just in front of the goal, and ZELLER comes flying in, taking the ball in the air and sealing the deal for the hosts. The audience is going crazy.

68' C. ZELLER gets into the circle but the ball goes out. ZELLER protests with the umpire, claiming a PC, but umpire LEIPER isn't swayed, a long corner it is.

66' IND are on a roll now, attacking again and again.

**** Goal: Shivendra SINGH ****

64' IND take the ball off the GER defense and make the long way into the circle. With BUBOLZ outplayed, it is easy for Shivendra SINGH to push the ball in behind the GER goalkeeper for his second goal of the day.

62' GER have been spurred on by their lead and are putting a lot of pressure on the IND defense.

**** Goal: Oliver HENTSCHEL ****

59' The ball is laid off to the left for HENTSCHEL who pushes it in to reclaim the lead.

58' PC for GER.

**** Goal: Shivendra SINGH ****

56' IND have a string of shots on the goal with BUBOLZ saving again and again but eventually SINGH's reverse stick shot beats the GER for the equalizer.

55' Kanwalpreet SINGH's hit is stopped but has hit a body. A second PC follows.

55' Dilip TIRKEY misstops a ball back but quickly recovers to set up a great attack down the left. The ball across into the circle for Shivendra SINGH is missed by SINGH but a PC is given.

53' Shivendra SINGH beats BUBOLZ with a ball from a very narrow angle from the left but the ball hits the outside of the goal.

52' The match has now considerably picked up speed, with IND having a much larger share in play than at the beginning of the match. It almost seems like GER is beginning to fade.

51' Another ball in the GER goal, but again no-one has touched it in the circle. Long corner for IND, and a shot on goal follows but once more BUBOLZ saves well.

50' CRONE re-enters the field with a bandage around his head.

50' IND have a free hit from the top of the circle. Dilip TIRKEY takes it and the ball crashes into the backboard but no-one has touched it in the circle - no goal.

48' The crowd is now vocally supporting the home team. With the stadium almost full, this makes for quite a noisy background.

- 47' Excellent attack from GER after a turnover in the GER half. FUERSTE has a shot on goal but D'SOUZA saves well.
- 46' Time is stopped for Philipp CRONE who has been involved in a clash. He gets up quickly but has to leave the field, presumably for a bleeding wound. Philipp ZELLER replaces CRONE for the time being.
- 46' A bad pass from HENTSCHEL gives the ball to IND. Their attack gets down close to the circle but eventually, the GER defense recovers.
- 42' Great long ball from WEISSENBORN for FUERSTE down in the IND half. FUERSTE starts off for the circle but can't find a way past the IND defense.
- 40' Free hit for GER from the top of the circle. EMMERLING plays the ball to FUERSTE on the far left. FUERSTE's shot from a narrow angle is slightly wide.
- 37' The 2nd half gets underway with IND attacking. I. TIRKEY gets into the circle and launches a shot on goal but again, BUBOLZ is there to save.
- 35' The first half ends with GER 1-0 in the lead. IND struggled in the first few minutes of the match but became better as time progressed; still GER's lead is deserved overall. Play has largely been very tactical, lacking spectacular individual action.
- 35' With nine seconds on the clock, GER have a promising opportunity with a shot from the top of the circle but it is just wide.
- 35' With IND one down, GER pressure hard to extend their lead now but the IND defense holds.
- 33' Yellow card for Kanwalpreet SINGH.
- 32' IND attack down the right and get into the circle. HALAPPA has a shot on goal but BUBOLZ defends well.

**** Goal: Christopher ZELLER ****

- 27' C. ZELLER's flick hits the left side of the net. The speed of the flick is registered at 119 km/h.
- 25' PC for GER.
- 23' IND are playing much better now than in the first few minutes. Their game is disciplined and methodical, and they manage well to keep GER away from their circle.
- 19' Play is now free-flowing, moving up and down the field quickly and nicely but goal scoring opportunities are a scarce commodity.
- 16' On the counter attack, C. ZELLER gets far into the IND half but then pushes over an IND defender and the ball is awarded to IND.
- 16' IND really have found their rhythm now. Gagan Ajit SINGH gets into the circle from the left and takes a shot, but BUBOLZ is already up close and easily saves the shot.
- 14' IND have their first good attack, getting into the circle near the back line. A PC would have been a possibility but umpire LEIPER allows play to continue under the advantage rule and IND eventually lose the ball.
- 12' IND are getting into the game a little better now, attacking mostly over the right side using Shivendra SINGH. The GER do not get into the IND circle as often as before anymore but still have little trouble keeping IND at bay.
- 8' EMMERLING plays the ball into the run for C. ZELLER who goes into the circle and off to the left. His reverse stick shot goes slightly wide, but is a very good attempt.
- 7' GER are dominating play. They are constantly on the attack while IND are struggling to put together more than two or three passes.
- 6' EMMERLING plays the ball into the circle for FUERSTE but he loses it to P. TIRKEY.

- 4' So far, GER are clearly the better team. IND have yet to get into the GER circle.
- 3' FUERSTE plays the ball across the circle but there are no takers.
- 2' GER are the first to get into the opponents' circle but when WITTHAUS plays it back from the back line it had already been out.
- 0' Welcome to the first match of the 2006 BDO World Cup where hosts and title holders GER will be taking on IND.
- 0' The umpires for this match are David LEIPER (SCO) and Sumesh PUTRA (CAN). The video umpire is John WRIGHT (RSA).