



**BDO Hockey World Cup - Men**  
**Sunday 10 September**  
**12:30**

**Pakistan 2**

**Spain 2**

- 70' Neither team will be content with this result as it keeps them in the race for the semis but makes their plight that much more difficult – at the moment the teams that benefit most from this draw are New Zealand and Australia. Overall, a just result in this encounter though.
- 70' ESP attack again but the seconds tick down and the hooter sounds.
- 69' A great PAK attack down the left gives BUTT an opportunity. He takes a diagonal shot from the right that is wide. ABBASI slides in but misses.
- 68' ESP are really stepping their game up now, attacking relentlessly, but PAK are stonewalling.
- 68' Yet another dangerous situation in an ESP attack but AKBAR saves well.
- 67' FREIXA's flick hits R. ALEGRE near the left post and is wide.
- 67' FREIXA's flick is saved but a second PC follows.
- 66' PC for ESP.
- 66' Long corner for PAK but the ball is high.
- 65' David ALEGRE is back for ESP.
- 64' ESP are trying to win a PC now but fail.
- 61' Great play from ABBASI who plays himself out of three ESP players surrounding him. He passes for BUTT in the circle, but once again the ESP defense is there to take the ball off him.
- 60' Yellow card for David ALEGRE for hitting the ball away.
- 60' ESP counter attack but are unable to make anything off it. The ball is awarded to PAK.
- 59' Free hit for PAK from just outside the circle. ABBAS takes it but the ESP defense stops and clears.
- 56' A complicated variation goes wrong and the ball is awarded to PAK.
- 55' After a solo run through the middle, David ALEGRE wins a PC for ESP.
- \*\* Goal: Sohail ABBAS (PAK) \*\***
- 52' PAK goal. ABBAS' 119km/h flick goes past HERRERA to the left side of the goal.
- 51' PC for PAK.
- 50' Long ball for ABBASI who tries to get in over the left but is stopped by RIBAS.
- 48' Time is stopped for Ihsan ULLAH who is on the ground. He leaves the field and play resumes.
- 48' PAK attack down the right. Excellent save from HERRERA.
- 48' Another ESP attack. SOJO gets into the circle on the left but falls. The ball is awarded to PAK.
- 47' An ESP attack over the right sees them into the circle. D. ALEGRE gets the ball near the back line but is unable to control it and it goes out.

- 45' PAK are attacking in rolling waves now, ESP busy just keeping them at bay.
- 45' Good run down the left side line by ZUBAIR but once more the ESP defense holds.
- 43' SAQLAIN tanks his way into the circle, outplaying several ESP players, but the ESP defense takes the ball off him before he can get a shot in.

**\*\* Goal: Pol AMAT (ESP) \*\***

- 41' PAK considerably delay the execution of the penalty stroke. They are very unhappy with the decision and protest at length. The stroke taker AMAT is unfazed though and calmly awaits the stroke, coolly flicking it to the top left corner of the goal.
- 41' S. FREIXA's ball to the left of the goal is saved. Umpire EHLERS awards another PC, the ESP protesting for a penalty stroke as the ball hit a PAK player's body when R. ALEGRE tried to push it in on the rebound. After deliberations with his colleague PUTRA, EHLERS changes the decision to penalty stroke.
- 40' PC for ESP after a foul near the 23m line. A pass from the back from ENRIQUE was aimed for S. FREIXA who was pushed over by Ihsan ULLAH.
- 37' RIBAS' low ball to the right is wide.
- 36' PC for ESP after a mistake in the PAK defense where one PAK defender, trying to clear has pushed the ball into the body of one of his teammates who had gone down in the circle.
- 35' ESP started off well, dominating the initial phase of the match, but were flustered by PAK's goal in the 10th minute. They have been struggling since, their defense having to work hard to get the PAK attacks under control while their own attacks are found struggling. ESP have been lucky with FREIXA's equalizer as, except for a PC, it was their only real shot on goal after BUTT's goal.
- 34' It is about time for halftime, the match has decidedly lost its flow in the last few minutes. Too many mistakes, too many free hits, the game is choppy and both teams have found it hard to string together more than a few passes.
- 34' R. ALEGRE makes a run down half the field on the right but S. FREIXA cannot get to ALEGRE's pass forward.
- 32' Another PAK attack but BUTT fails to pass, trying to get through himself instead and is once more cut short by the ESP defense.
- 31' SAQLAIN tries to tank his way through the middle but is stopped short by GARZA. The ESP defense is looking very good today, especially R. ALGRE on the right and GARZA in the middle.
- 30' Diagonal high ball from ABBAS for BUTT but it is too long and goes past everyone and out the back.

**\*\* Goal: Santi FREIXA (ESP) \*\***

- 27' ESP goal. TUBAU has the ball in the circle but cannot get a shot. He passes to FREIXA who puts away a cracking reverse stick shot from the top of the circle.
- 26' A reverse stick shot from Waseem AHMAD is saved by HERRERA - who looks a bit shaky today - and cleared by R. ALEGRE.
- 25' Esp have two free hits in quick succession near the PAK circle but are unable to make anything off it.
- 23' Free hit for PAK 5m out the circle. Waseem AHMAD pretends to hit and runs into the circle. Sohail ABBAS takes it but the ball goes through and out the back.
- 22' Good attack down the left with ABBASI and ZUBAIR but R. ALEGRE stalls them enough for the ESP defense to restructure. ZUBAIR's hit into the circle crashes into the backboard but no PAK player has touched it in the circle.

- 19' ESP intercept a PAK ball near their circle and set off on the counter attack. AMAT goes down the right line but there is a misunderstanding and SOJO in the middle fails to run out for AMAT's pass straight ahead. The ball goes out.
- 16' RIBAS' flick is saved by AKBAR, SOJO's hit on the rebound is wide.
- 15' David ALEGRE wins a PC for ESP.
- 14' ESP have had a free hit near the circle and have played around the circle for a bit now but there has been no room for a shot and no opportunity to win a PC.
- 13' Nice run down the right by TUBAU outplaying several PAK players. He makes it into the circle but all he can do is win a long corner that nothing comes off.

**\*\* Goal: Rehan BUTT (PAK) \*\***

- 10' PAK goal. Great run from Shakeel ABBASI through the left middle. He plays it into the circle for MAQSOOD who lays it off to BUTT on the right near the post who tips it in.
- 9' An attack down the right wins PAK a long corner but PAK play back and around the back and ESP win the ball.
- 8' PAK do not look good at this point in the match. ESP dominate the game, which is confined almost entirely to the PAK half of the field. ESP are still struggling with the fine-tuning though which explains the relative lack of shots on goal.
- 5' PAK get near the ESP circle for the first time but cannot get in.
- 4' PAK manage to get out of their half for the first time with Dilawar HUSAIN running down the left side line but R. ALEGRE stops him short.
- 2' Edi TUBAU lays a ball from behind of straight towards the circle for Pol AMAT who goes in and takes a shot from the right towards the near post. AKBAR saves.
- 0' Welcome to day 5 of the 2006 BDO Hockey World Cup. In this pool A clash between Pakistan and Spain, both teams are currently on four points, Spain having defeated AUS and drawn with ARG and PAK having defeated JPN and drawn with NZL. Whoever is able to win this game will have made an important step in the direction of the semis, while the defeated team will be in a difficult position.
- 0' The umpires for this Pool A match are Sumesh PUTRA (CAN) and Henrik EHLERS (DEN). The video umpire is Murray GRIME (AUS)