



**BDO Hockey World Cup - Men**  
**Saturday 16 September**  
**10:00**

**South Africa 2**

**Japan 5**

70' JPN win the match with a comfortable 5-2 victory, and will play off tomorrow for ninth place.

**\*\* Goal: Toshiaki FUKUDA \*\***

67' FUKADA settles the contest once and for all with the weakest of goals, the ball bouncing off his stick and dribbles slowly over the line

65' with just five minute left it looks like JPN are going to take this match

61' PC - RSA: Yutaka BITO brilliantly charges down the SYMONS effort and JPN clear

**\*\* Goal: Mitsuru ITO \*\***

60' A good JPN passing move down the left cuts open the RSA defence, and ITO finishes coolly past HIBBERT

**\*\* Goal: Ian SYMONS \*\***

57' Another drag flick from SYMONS and another goal back for RSA.

57' PC - RSA: Lungile TSOLEKILE hits a JPN foot in the circle

55' RSA on top, but JPN are stopping them from getting any meaningful chances on goal with excellent defensive play

50' PC - JPN: YOSHIDA's flick is low and powerful, but wide of the left post. RSA break forward and nearly score themselves, but Lloyd NORRIS-JONES' instinctive deflection goes over the bar

50' Yuji CHAKI leaves the field with a suspected hamstring problem.

48' JPN are in the hunt for another goal, but Mitsuru ITO is tackled well by Justin REID-ROSS on the edge of the circle. REID-ROSS claims that ITO used an elbow on him and is visibly upset

**\*\* Goal: Toshiaki FUKUDA \*\***

47' an Akira ITO pass finds Toshiaki FUKUDA in space, and he finishes clinically

44' JPN having a period of dominance. Kazuhiro TSUBOUCHI sends an excellent through ball to FUKADA who slides in and deflects the ball goalwards, but it is no problem for HIBBERT in the RSA goal

39' RSA back on the attack looking for an equaliser, but JPN grab the ball and send it to their forward line. A three pass move sees Kazuyuki OZAWA get his shot on target, but the ball bounces off the keeper and into a JPN foot

**\*\* Goal: Ian SYMONS \*\***

38' A high drag flick evades MIYOSHI and RSA pull a goal back

37' PC - RSA: Good start by RSA putting JPN under pressure from the start

36' Second half underway

35' HALF TIME:

33' Play is again down the right for JPN, with Kazuhiro TSUBOUCHI creating a goal

scoring chance, but it is cleared well by RSA

31' Hiroki SAKAMOTO has two good runs down the right, but the RSA defenders are too quick for him and get in good tackles

28' Lloyd NORRIS-JONES fails to control an overhead pass down the right, and the ball runs over the back line to safety

**\*\* Goal: Akira ITO \*\***

25' A quickly taken free hit aimed outside the right post is cleverly deflected in by Akira ITO, giving JPN a two goal advantage

22' Lloyd NORRIS-JONES has another effort, but swings wildly on his reverse and misses the ball completely

18' RSA have settled, and Lloyd NORRIS-JONES attacks the circle. His effort towards goal seemingly takes a deflection off a JPN stick, but a 16 hit is awarded

17' Yuji CHAKI hits the ball away after a free hit is awarded to RSA, and is lucky to escape with just a verbal warning from umpire ADELL

16' RSA's BAM runs 50 metres in possession towards the JPN goal before Yuji CHAKI makes a timely interception at the top of the circle

13' JPN are putting pressure on the RSA defenders, forcing them into mistakes. RSA haven't settled into any kind of rhythm just yet

9' Akira ITO wastes a good chance on the left of the circle, topping his shot wide of the target

7' RSA on the attack, pushing much further up the field. Thornton McDADE wins a free hit outside the circle but RSA fail to win the PC they wanted

**\*\* Goal: Kazuo YOSHIDA \*\***

6' Kazuo YOSHIDA's drag flick flies high into the net.

6' PC - JPN: Good skills from Mitsuru ITO to find a foot

5' Thornton McDADE robs the ball from a JAP defender, but his pass does not find its intended target.

3' Clyde ABRAHAMS moves down the right for RSA, but his cross into the circle is lifted

1' Match underway

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0' The umpires are Xavi ADELL (ESP) and Sumesh PUTRA (CAN). The video umpire is Christian BLASCH (GER).