

India 3 England 2

70' After Belgium's upset of the much favored Argentineans, this is the second surprise of the day, IND taking home three points after a solid effort, much to the delight of a sizeable group of Indian fans who have outbraved the rain to see their team win. ENG are without points after their second encounter and are certain to do some soulsearching on tomorrow's rest day.

70' With half a minute to go, ENG desperately push forward, but IND stand firm and the horn sounds to signal for the end of the match.

69' Free hit for ENG from the middle of the IND half, but nothing comes of it.

68' In an attack down the right, IND get near the ENG circle but cannot follow through and eventually lose the ball.

66' As the minutes tick down, both sides' attempts are getting more frantic, play deteriorating to a scrappy back and forth.

62' Despite the sun having found a way through the clouds, it is still raining steadily here in Boom and the amount of water coming down from above has made the pitch slow.

60' Play now moves up and down the field again without any dangerous situations, IND eager to get another goal to strengthen their hold on the match and ENG keen to avoid the second defeat in as many matches.

**** Goal: Prabodh SINGH (FG) ****

54' And there is the lead for IND again as a ball across in front of the goal finds Prabodh SINGH's stick and he lobs the ball over Nick BROTHERS.

50' At the other end of the field, IND immediately have the opportunity to restore their lead but good work from the ENG defense denies them.

**** Goal: Jonty CLARKE (PC) ****

49' Richard MANTELL's initial flick is saved by D'SOUZA but the ball bounces out to the far left where Jonty CLARKE is waiting to hit it in from a narrow angle.

48' PC for ENG.

45' Play now moves back and forth between the two rather equal opponents, both of them with roughly equal shares in ball possession but unable to create much danger.

**** Goal: Dilip TIRKEY (PC) ****

41' Dilip TIRKEY hits a powerful ball to the middle of the goal. Nick BROTHERS has already gone down but the ball is deflected up from his stick and goes into the net.

41' Prabhot SINGH wins a PC for IND.

38' IND pressure up high again but currently cannot find a way through the ranks of the ENG defense.

35' And there is the horn signalling half time in this match between India and England, currently on one goal each. IND have played well and seem to have surprised ENG who quite possibly expected this match to be easier. Both teams have had their opportunities, albeit few, and anything is possible in the second half.

**** Goal: Richard MANTELL (PC) ****

33' Ben HAWES steps up to the middle this time and tries to weave his way through the IND defenders upon receiving the ball but there is no space. He lays the ball off to the left for MANTELL whose first shot is blocked by D'SOUZA. The ball falls back to

MANTELL however and he slams it into the far side of the goal.

33' Good attempt from Richard MANTELL with a flick to the left side of the goal but D'SOUZA blocks it. The ball is dangerous however, another PC follows.

32' PC for ENG.

**** Goal: Rajpal SINGH (FG) ****

28' IND get into a crowded ENG circle, and a brilliant pass back from the back line finds Rajpal SINGH alone in the middle of the circle. SINGH hammers the ball into the roof of the goal to give his team the lead in this encounter.

25' ENG on the attack now, MIDDLETON coming through but his pass into the circle catches Jonty CLARKE on the wrong foot and goes out the back.

22' A good attack from IND gets them into the circle but Shivendra SINGH misses the ball on his attempt to play across and the ball goes out the back.

20' ENG are displaying some fine hockey in this phase of the match stringing together many passes and controlling ball possession. They cannot get into the circle however.

17' MANTELL's flick is deflected up high, over the crossbar and into the camera tower.

16' Richard MANTELL sweeps a free hit into the circle, finding a defender's foot to win a PC.

15' The rain is back here in Boom now, not as heavily as yesterday but a steady rain.

14' Time is stopped for Sandeep SINGH who has taken a blow to the foot and limps off the field.

14' MANTELL's flick is saved well by Adrian D'SOUZA.

13' Richard MANTELL's flick hits a defender's leg for another PC for ENG.

12' ENG attack down the right and win a PC through Richard ALEXANDER.

9' IND are playing well today, moving a lot and putting good pressure on the ENG defense.

5' Overelaborate attempt by IND that gets them nowhere. They cannot get a shot on goal and the ENG defense intercepts the ball.

5' Sandeep SINGH's flick is deflected high over the crossbar, another PC follows.

4' PC for IND.

2' The match has started. IND start off aggressively but it is ENG who have an early opportunity when a ball into the circle crashes into the back board, but in spite of the celebrations of some ENG players, umpire CHEN deems that no attacker has touched the ball in the circle, no goal.

0' The umpires in this game are Hong Lae KIM (KOR) and Dekang CHEN (CHN).