



2007 Samsung Champions Trophy - Men
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Germany 5

Pakistan 2

70' Deserved win got Germany. They have kept well their structure and created better scoring opportunities. Pakistan has displayed speed, individual technique and enthusiasm, exploiting well the few German defensive errors, but did not come together efficiently as a unit.

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69' Good defense by Pakistan on two successive shots by German attackers.

67' Excellent save by Salman Akbar on a low shot close to his right post

67' PC for Germany

66' The German midfield circulates the ball mostly unchallenged.

63' The German attackers penetrate more and more easily in the Pakistani circle, but fail to conclude. Sebastian DRAGUHN receives the ball alone at the PS spot but shoots directly on the keeper.

54' The game is going back and forth, much to the pleasure of the crowd, with more cheering going on for Pakistan.

***** GOAL GER: Philip WITTE *****

52' Philip WITTE receives the ball in the circle, his first shot is saved by Salman Akbar but Witte picks up the rebound while on the ground and re-establishes a two-goal cushion for Germany.

50' Despite their domination, Germany is suddenly within reach of Pakistan

48' ***** Goal PAK: Shabbir KHAN *****

48' Advantage is given by the umpire on a German foul and Shabbir KHAN is prompt to jump on the ball to push it in goal!

45' Play in now mostly in the Pakistani defensive half.

43' Next attempt is deflected by the PAK defense in long corner.

43' Sebastian DRAGUHN shoots on the keeper, but Germany earns another PC on the rebound.

43' PC for Germany

42' Abbas HAYDER penetrates again the circle on the right, but his pass is high.

40' The German defense is very patient, channelling the Pakistani runs towards the wings and intercepting the passes.

39' Oliver HENTSCHEL receives the ball in the circle and manages a quick reverse shot, but just wide.

37' Long run by Abbas HAYDER, the youngest player of the tournament, but he cannot

find an unmarked partner in the German circle.

36' Second half in progress

35' Half-time is reached on a deserved lead for Germany. They displayed more pattern to their collective game, while Pakistan, because of their lack of experience, individual and collective, is slow to get organized.

34' Shabbir KHAN receives the ball close to the GER circle but is too slow to decide what to do and the GER defense clears.

31' Pakistan is encouraged by their goal and attack with more purpose, but the German calmly weather the storm.

29' PC shot wide by Imran MUHAMMAD

29' First PC of the game for PAK

***** GOAL PAK Waqas SHARIF *****

27' PAK earns a free hit at the top of the circle. The ball is hit towards goal and, in the scramble that follows, Waqas SHARIF manages to push the ball passed Max WEINHOLD in the German goal

25' The Pakistani players run well with the ball, but have trouble finding each other, making it easy for the German defense to break the attacks.

***** GOAL GER: Florian KELLER *****

22' On the next attack, Florian KELLER scores without much opposition from the Pakistani defense.

***** GOAL GER: Moritz FUERSTE *****

20' Goal for Germany: Moritz FUERSTE

20' Carlos NEVADO is very active on the right side for Germany. He manages a pass in circle for Moritz FUERSTE who doesn't miss the opportunity to score.

19' Tibor WEISSENBORN does a good work to penetrate the circle but is tackled and is called for a foot.

15' The pace is now picking up, but the teams cannot create dangerous situations.

13' Long corner to GER but it does not result in anything.

9' 'Pakistan tries to progress with long aerial balls, but consistently fail to control them.

***** GOAL GER: Oliver KORN *****

7' Oliver Korn penetrates in the circle and manages to deflect the ball in goal while falling.

7' A long run on the left wing by Nasir Ahmed brings the danger close to the GER circle but a free hit is given to Germany.

5' Germany controls the ball, but the pace is slow so far.

1' Germany is currently ranked 2nd in the world, while Pakistan is 6th. Germany has won the Champions trophy 8 times (same as Australia and The Netherlands), with the last one in 2001, while Pakistan has won the CT 3 times, with the last one back in 1994.

1' The game has started after a long rain delay

** Goal: **

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0' Germany will rest Christoph Menke and Niklas Emmerling, while Pakistan is resting Inayat Ullah and Kamran Muhammad. Afzal Muhammad will start on the bench but could earn his first international Cap for Pakistan.

0' The two teams have met 25 times in the Champions trophy, with fairly equal results:

10 wins for Germany and 9 for Pakistan, plus 6 draws including in their last encounter in 2006 (3-3).

- 0' Germany is has a more experienced team with an average of 96 International Caps, while Pakistan has only 73, with 3 players still uncapped.
- 0' The start of the match is currently delayed due to heavy rainfall.