



HOCKEY INDIA



Newsletter

VOL-38 NOV TO DEC 2018



Message from

Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad President - Hockey India

Hello Friends,


"The month of November and December saw the culmination of hard work and precision put in by the professionals at Hockey India as well as the officials from the Odisha State Government in order to make the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 a landmark event.


The Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 was a dream that started into 2013 when Hockey India bid to host the event which transpired into a spectacular showpiece event of the likes that world of hockey has ever seen. From immaculate organisation and planning of every detail ensured the participating teams, officials and most importantly the fans have a memorable event. From 28 November to 16 December, we saw the very best of hockey with some upset victories that had the hockey buffs reeling for more while there were also some heart-breaking losses. What we experienced was the best sportsman spirit on display with players setting an example for younger generation to follow. My heartiest congratulations to the new World Champions Belgium and my best wishes to all the teams in the lead up to the 2020 Olympic Games.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to all our sponsors, stakeholders, broadcast partner the media and all those people who worked towards making the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 a mega success.

November month also witnessed for the very first time the FIH Congress being held in India at it's Capital New Delhi. The prestigious event not only brought together great minds from across the globe to discuss the future path for hockey and also saw new members being inducted to the executive board.

In December, we had Australia's double World Cup winning striker Glenn Turner who accepted Hockey India's invitation to work with the Indian Women's Team forwards in a special 10-day Coaching Camp in Bengaluru. I've been informed that the players and Chief Coach have given a very positive feedback about this initiative. I believe such initiatives will help our national teams tremendously in the lead up to their qualification for the Tokyo Olympic Games."onal teams tremendously in the lead up to their qualification for the Tokyo Olympic Games."

 <https://www.facebook.com/TheHockeyIndia>


 handle: @thehockeyindia
handle: @HockeyIndiaLeag


HOCKEY INDIA PARTNERS




ODISHA
INDIA'S BEST KEPT SECRET.



 www.hockeyindia.org
www.league.hockeyindia.org

 /HockeyIndia

 hockeyindia@hockeyindia.org

46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018

Over 250 delegates from all over the world gathered in New Delhi, India, for the 46th Congress of the International Hockey Federation.

The Congress is the supreme body of the FIH and meets every second year. This is where strategic decisions are made for the development and governance of hockey globally.

While the Congress session itself took place on 3rd November at the Lalit Hotel, the event kicked-off on 31st October with the FIH Executive Board meeting as well as a meeting of the Continental Federation CEOs. The FIH Honorary Awards ceremony, rewarding personalities having made an outstanding contribution to the game was held on 1st November.

The Congress agenda included an overview of the status of the game, its evolution and development worldwide. Furthermore, delegates elected four members to the Executive Board, while the Athletes' committee renewed. Other items on the agenda include the ratification of the appointment of the President of the Judicial Commission, an update on the IOC Solidarity Foundation as well as a report on the FIH finances.



Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President - FIH welcoming Mr. Pawan Munjal, Chairman & CEO - Hero Motocorp



Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President - FIH welcoming Colonel Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore, Hon'ble Minister of State for Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports - Govt. of India



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

MARIJKE FLEUREN



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

PAM ELGAR



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

ALBERTO COCO BUDEISKY



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

MARC COUDRON



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

YOKOYAMA HIDE



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

DHB U21



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



1. ROLL CALL

Welcome to all
Congress Delegates and
National Associations



46TH FIH CONGRESS

1. ROLL CALL

Welcome to all
Congress Delegates and
National Associations

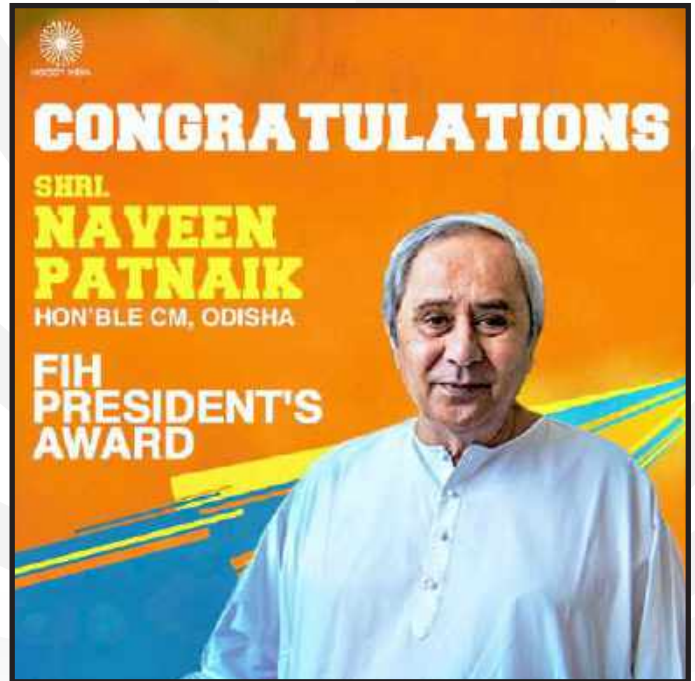
46th FIH Congress New Delhi 2018



Hockey India Congratulates Shri Naveen Patnaik On Receiving The Prestigious FIH President's Award

Hockey India congratulated Shri Naveen Patnaik Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha on being bestowed with the prestigious FIH President's Award honoured by the FIH, the world governing body for hockey at the Gala Dinner and Awards Night held in New Delhi on 1 November 2018.

The special recognition by FIH was made to honour the Hon'ble Chief Minister's endeavour in promoting hockey and his Government's incredible enthusiasm in making the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 a grand success. The Chief Minister, an ardent sports lover, was bestowed with the award during the recently concluded 46th FIH Congress at The Lalit in New Delhi.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

SHRI. NAVEEN PATNAIK



Hockey India Named 18-Member Indian Men's Hockey Team For The Much-Awaited Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Hockey India named the 18-member Indian Men's Hockey Team who represented the host nation at the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 which commenced from 28th November to 16th December 2018 at the iconic Kalinga Stadium. The team led by Manpreet Singh while the Vice Captain was Chinglensana Singh Kangujam.

GOALKEEPERS

P R Sreejesh

Krishan Bahadur Pathak

DEFENDERS

Harmanpreet Singh

Birendra Lakra

Varun Kumar

Kothajit Singh Khadangbam

Surender Kumar

Amit Rohidas

MIDFIELDERS

Manpreet Singh(C)

Chinglensana Singh Kangujam(VC)

Sumit

Nilakanta Sharma

Hardik Singh

FORWARDS

Akashdeep Singh

Dilpreet Singh

Mandeep Singh

Lalit Kumar Upadhyay

Simranjeet Singh



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Trophy Unveiling

The World Cup Winners Trophy was unveiled at the iconic Kalinga Stadium on 11th November amidst fans and media who attended in large numbers as the event also saw the Government of Odisha sign MoU with various industrial giants for establishing and developing various Sports Academies in India.





HOCKEY INDIA

Hockey India Invited Former Australian Great Glenn Turner For An 8-Day Strikers Camp For Women

As part of their preparations for the Olympic Qualifiers, Hockey India has invited former Australian striker Glenn Turner to work with the Indian Women's Hockey Team strikers in a Special Camp for forwards started from 01st December to 08th December 2018 at the Sports Authority of India, Bengaluru.

The Canberra Hockey star who was part of the World Cup-winning Australian squad in 2010 and 2014, arrived in Bengaluru on 30 November 2018 for the eight-day National Camp.

The players named in the strikers camp includes Skipper Rani, Youth Olympic Games Silver Medallist Lalremsiami, Navneet Kaur, Navjot Kaur, Rajwinder Kaur, Vandana Katariya, Anupa Barla, Priyanka Wankhede, Preeti Dubey, Mumtaz Khan, Jyoti, Poonam Rani and Leelavathy Mallamada.



Hon'ble Minister Of Finance And Corporate Affairs, Shri Arun Jaitley Launches Hockey India Coffee Table Book

Hockey India released a curated coffee table book titled '**The Illustrated History of Indian Hockey: A Saga of Triumph, Pain and Dreams**' capturing the glorious journey of one of India's most celebrated sports.

Shri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, released the book alongside FIH & IOA President Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, Hockey India President Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad, Hockey India Secretary General Mr. Rajinder Singh and Hockey India CEO Ms. Elena Norman, the book publishers and editors as well as prominent and legendary Indian Hockey players.

Speaking on the occasion **Hon'ble Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Shri Arun Jaitley** said, "Preserving history is very important, we often preserve it in the form of museums, publications and now a days as audio visuals. Publications like a coffee table book become very important as they are easy read with beautiful pictures. I am quite happy with the way Hockey has developed in the country over the last decade."





HOCKEY INDIA

Official Team Captains of Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 With the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik



Photo Caption: (L-R) Pedro Ibarra (Argentina), Aran Zalewski (Australia), Thomas Briels (Belgium), Scott Tupper (Canada), Chen Du (China), Phil Roper (England), Victor Charlet (France), Martin Häner (Germany), Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha – Shri Naveen Patnaik, Manpreet Singh (India), David Harte (Ireland), Sukri Mutalib (Malaysia), Billy Bakker (Netherlands), Blair Tarrant (New Zealand), Muhammad Rizwan Sr. (Pakistan), Tim Drummond (South Africa) and Miguel Delas (Spain) pose with the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Trophy at Mukteshwar Temple, Bhubaneswar.

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Announces Coca-Cola India As 'Official Supplier' Of Beverages

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 announced Coca-Cola India as an 'Official Supplier' of beverages for the tournament. The agreement with the biggest tournament in field hockey supports their efforts of being a catalyst of field hockey around the world, especially in the host nation India.



New-Look Kalinga Stadium Ready To Roll

Kalinga Stadium, the venue for the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 is at its dazzling best and is ready to enthrall the spectators and teams alike.

The spruced up venue has both Practice and main turfs re-laid with new blue turf as per the FIH specifications. The capacity of the main stadium has been increased to 15,000. Two new galleries, one on North and other on the South side, have been added to the iconic venue, making it a total of four grand Stands.

Besides four Player's Changing Rooms, designed and implemented by Competitions Department of Hockey India after thorough research done across player's changing rooms utilised for various High-Performance International/ club sports and setup for the first time ever across any hockey stadium in the world, three dedicated Goalkeeper Equipment Rooms have also been designed keeping in mind the elaborate kitting that a Goalkeeper has and dedicated Umpire's Changing Room. There is also an exclusive Lounge for the Players and Officials, while a dedicated Media Centre, special boxes for VIPs and Officials have also been created at the venue. Also, a Walk of Champions has been created, showcasing the World Cup winners starting from 1971 to 2014 dedicated to Men's Hockey World Champions and the athlete's participating in the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018.



New-Look Kalinga Stadium Ready To Roll



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Teams Arrival



TEAM ARGENTINA



TEAM AUSTRALIA



TEAM BELGIUM



TEAM CANADA



TEAM CHINA



TEAM ENGLAND



TEAM FRANCE



TEAM GERMANY

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Teams Arrival



TEAM INDIA



TEAM IRELAND



TEAM MALAYSIA



TEAM NETHERLANDS



TEAM NEW ZEALAND



TEAM PAKISTAN



TEAM SOUTH AFRICA



TEAM SPAIN

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Opening Ceremony



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Dignitaries At Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Action at Glance

Team Argentina



Team Australia



Team Belgium



Team Canada



Team China



Team England



Team France



Team Germany



Team India



Team Ireland



Team Malaysia



Team Netherlands



Team New Zealand



Team Pakistan



Team South Africa



Team Spain





HOCKEY INDIA

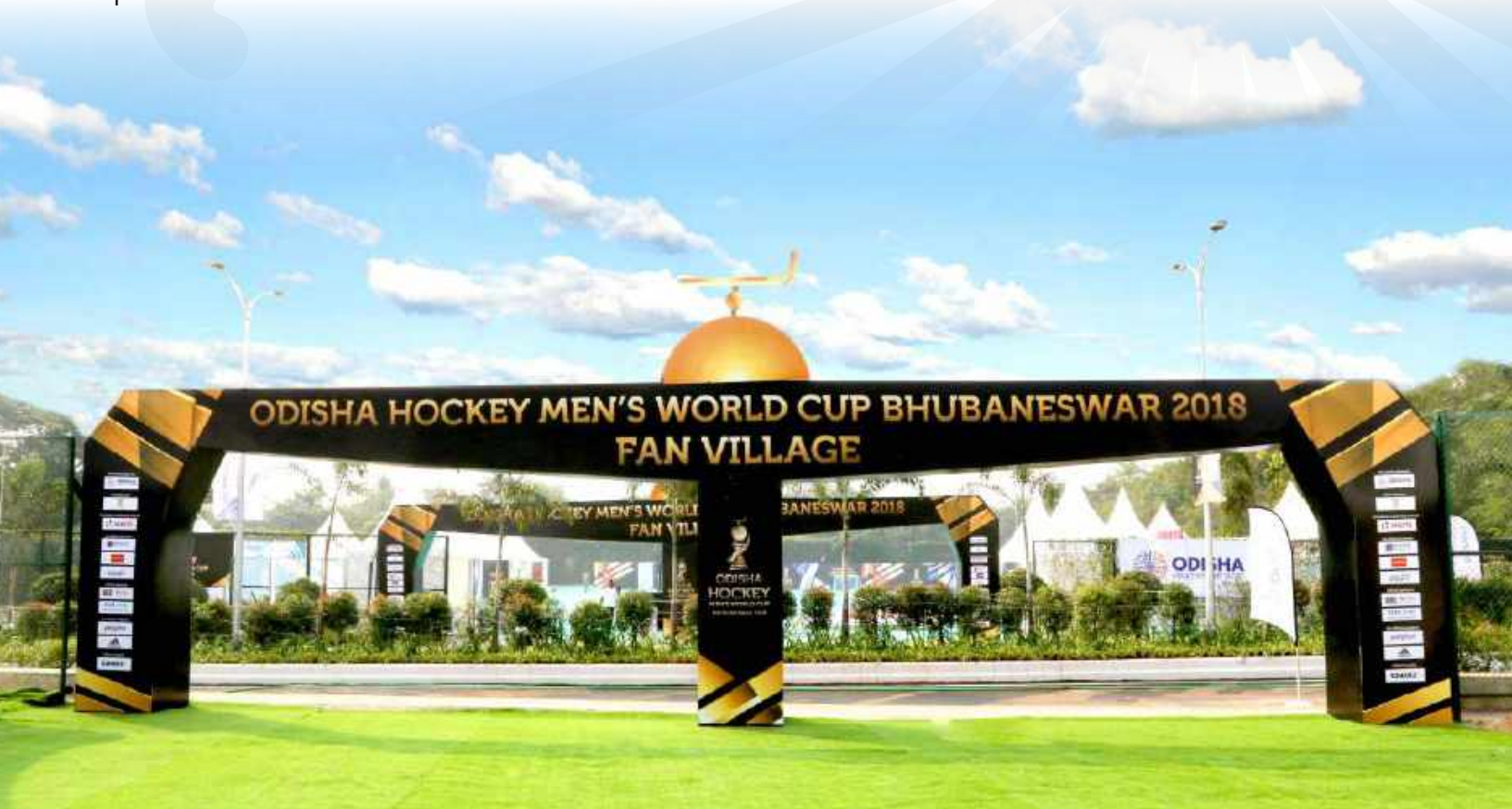
Fan Village A Big Draw At The Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Hockey buffs attending the biggest sporting extravaganza in the country Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 were being treated to games and fun activities installed in the Fan Village spanning about 18,000 sq meters inside the iconic Kalinga Complex.

The activities range from anti-gravity photo booth which let people click gravity-defying photos in a hockey stadium ambiance while those who wished to take a 360 degree photo could do so at the 360 degree photo booth. The massive fan village spread across two grounds between Gate No.3 and Gate No.4 of the Kalinga Stadium and featured several eatery stalls including those of local specialties like the Odisha Millet Missions for those who preferred to eat healthy.

There was also live screening of the matches on a giant screen, accompanied by an Emcee who kept the mood upbeat and also engaged the fans in quizzes related to the sport at half-time. Trampoline for kids, cycles installed to create a video-game feel of a race were also some of the highlights. The organisers had also created a three-a-side hockey turf for those who felt inspired by their favourite stars playing the prestigious event and wished to emulate the action on a mini-turf.

Jugglers, Magicians among other artists were present to ensure there was a lot more to do other than watch top-level International matches. Shopaholics also bought Odisha Handlooms and sports wear too.



Fan Village



Team Visited Fan Village



TEAM ARGENTINA



TEAM AUSTRALIA



TEAM BELGIUM



TEAM CHINA



TEAM ENGLAND



TEAM FRANCE



TEAM GERMANY

Team Visited Fan Village



TEAM INDIA



TEAM IRELAND



TEAM MALAYSIA



TEAM NETHERLANDS



TEAM NEW ZEALAND



TEAM PAKISTAN



TEAM SOUTH AFRICA

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



 ODISHA MEN'S WORLD CUP

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



#HWC2018 ODISHA 2018

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



World Aids Day Celebration on 1st December 2018



ODISHA 2018

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



#HWC2018

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Fan-Tastics



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Third Place - Australia



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Runners Up - Netherlands



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Closing Ceremony



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018
Champions - Belgium 



Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Champions - Belgium





Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Champions - Belgium





HOCKEY INDIA

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Tournament Award Winners



Arthur Van Doren (BEL) Receiving the Best Player of the Tournament Award of ₹5,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from Mr. Sachin Tendulkar, Former Captain of the Indian Cricket Team



Pirmin Blaak (NED) Receiving the Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from Dr. Dilip Tirkey, Former Captain of the Indian Hockey team



Thijs van Dam (NED) Receiving the Best Junior Player of the Tournament Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from Shri Chandra Sarathi Behera, Hon'ble Sports Minister, Government of Odisha



Blake Govers (AUS) & Alexander Hendrickx (BEL) Receiving the Hero Top Scorer of the Tournament Award of ₹2,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from Mr. Leandro Negre, FIH President of Honour

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 Tournament Award Winners



Team Spain Receiving the Fair Play Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from **Shri Sashi Bhushan Behera**, Hon'ble Minister Finance & Excise, Government of Odisha



Arthur Van Doren (BEL) Receiving the Fans Choice Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from **Ms. Shradhanjali Samantray**, Former Captain of the Indian Football team



Team Australia Receiving the Maximum Team Goals Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from **Shri Praful Malik**, Hon'ble Minister for Steel & Mines & Works, Government of Odisha



Team India Receiving the Best Team Goal Celebration Award of ₹1,00,000 Cheque & Trophy from **Ms. Anuradha Biswal**, Olympian



HOCKEY INDIA

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018

Match Results

28 Nov - 16 Dec 2018

Match #	Description	Date	Time	Pitch	Teams	Score
1	Pool C	28 Nov 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	BEL - CAN	2 - 1
2	Pool C	28 Nov 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	IND - RSA	5 - 0
3	Pool A	29 Nov 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	ARG - ESP	4 - 3
4	Pool A	29 Nov 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	NZL - FRA	2 - 1
5	Pool B	30 Nov 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	AUS - IRL	2 - 1
6	Pool B	30 Nov 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	ENG - CHN	2 - 2
7	Pool D	1 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	NED - MAS	7 - 0
8	Pool D	1 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	GER - PAK	1 - 0
9	Pool C	2 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	CAN - RSA	1 - 1
10	Pool C	2 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	IND - BEL	2 - 2
11	Pool A	3 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	ESP - FRA	1 - 1
12	Pool A	3 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	NZL - ARG	0 - 3
13	Pool B	4 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	ENG - AUS	0 - 3
14	Pool B	4 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	IRL - CHN	1 - 1
15	Pool D	5 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	GER - NED	4 - 1
16	Pool D	5 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	MAS - PAK	1 - 1
17	Pool A	6 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	ESP - NZL	2 - 2
18	Pool A	6 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	ARG - FRA	3 - 5
19	Pool B	7 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	AUS - CHN	11 - 0
20	Pool B	7 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	IRL - ENG	2 - 4
21	Pool C	8 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	BEL - RSA	5 - 1
22	Pool C	8 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	CAN - IND	1 - 5
23	Pool D	9 Dec 2018	17:00	Kalinga Stadium	MAS - GER	3 - 5
24	Pool D	9 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	NED - PAK	5 - 1
26	Cross-over	10 Dec 2018	16:45	Kalinga Stadium	ENG - NZL	2 - 0
25	Cross-over	10 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	FRA - CHN	1 - 0
27	Cross-over	11 Dec 2018	16:45	Kalinga Stadium	BEL - PAK	5 - 0
28	Cross-over	11 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	NED - CAN	5 - 0
29	QF	12 Dec 2018	16:45	Kalinga Stadium	ARG - ENG	2 - 3
30	QF	12 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	AUS - FRA	3 - 0
32	QF	13 Dec 2018	16:45	Kalinga Stadium	GER - BEL	1 - 2
31	QF	13 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	IND - NED	1 - 2
33	SF 1	15 Dec 2018	16:00	Kalinga Stadium	ENG - BEL	0 - 6
34	SF 2	15 Dec 2018	18:30	Kalinga Stadium	AUS - NED	2 - 2 (3 - 4 SO)
35	Bronze Medal	16 Dec 2018	16:30	Kalinga Stadium	ENG - AUS	1 - 8
36	Gold Medal	16 Dec 2018	19:00	Kalinga Stadium	BEL - NED	0 - 0 (3 - 2 SO)

Milestone

Hockey India congratulated Vice-captain Chinglensana Singh Kangujam 200 International Caps



On 28th November 2018, the Indian Men's Hockey Team Vice-Captain Chinglensana Singh Kangujam completed an impressive 200 International Caps. He achieved this milestone in Opening Match of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 against South Africa.



Hockey India congratulated Sumit 50 International Caps

Sumit reached his 50th international match milestone as the team played its opening match in Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 against South Africa.



FIH Academy - Hockey India Level 2 Umpire & Umpire Manager Course

The FIH Academy (FIHA) & Hockey India (HI) conducted the FIH Academy - Hockey India Level 2 Umpiring course, held from 29th November to 1st December 2018.



The FIH Academy (FIHA) & Hockey India (HI) conducted, Hockey India Level 2 Umpire Manager Course, held from 1st to 3rd December 2018



FIH Academy - Hockey India Level 2 Technical Officials & Tournament Director Course

The FIH Academy (FIHA) & Hockey India (HI) conducted the FIH Academy - Hockey India Level 2 Technical Officials course, held from 4th to 6th December 2018.



The FIH Academy (FIHA) & Hockey India (HI) conducted the FIH Academy L3 Technical Officials course - Hockey India Level 2 Tournament Director course, held from 6th to 8th December 2018.



Amendments To FIH Rules Of Hockey To Come Into Force On 1 January 2019

Every second year, the Rules Committee of the International Hockey Federation (FIH) may make proposals to amend the rules of hockey. In 2018, the following proposals have been made by the Committee and approved by the Executive Board:

- **Introduction of the match format of four quarters as standard**

In international matches, teams have been playing four quarters for some years and it is felt that uniformity in match formats can be achieved when all match formats are based on a four quarter principle. Like in international matches, time is stopped between the awarding of a penalty corner and the taking of that penalty corner. Other than in international matches, where this is covered by FIH Tournament Regulations, time is not stopped to celebrate goals as this was introduced primarily for television coverage. The four quarters has additional advantages at junior levels of the sport in which coaches often umpire youth/school matches and the additional breaks provide for coaching opportunities.

- **Removal of Goalkeeping privileges for substitute field player**

A mandatory experiment, with effect from 1 January 2019, taking out the option for teams to play with a field player with goalkeeping privileges. Teams have now two options: they either play with a goalkeeper who wears full protective equipment comprising at least headgear, leg guards and kickers and who is also permitted to wear goalkeeping hand protectors and other protective equipment, or they play with only field players. Any change between these options should be treated as a substitution. It is hoped that this experimental rule will enhance safety as field players will no longer have goalkeeping privileges so will not be entitled to use their body to stop shots at goal and it also enhances the promotion of the sport by eliminating the issue of outfield players wearing other shirts to indicate goalkeeping privileges.

- **Defending free hits within 5 meters of the circle**

The explanation for how to treat free hits for the attacker close to the circle has been changed in Rules 13.2.f. It has now been made clear that players other than the attacker taking the free hit must be at least five meters away, including when they are in their circle. If the attacker however chooses to take the free hit immediately, then defenders who are inside the circle and within five meters from the ball may shadow around the inside of the circle as per the explanation of the rule before 2019. This has the advantage of not preventing the quickly taken free hit which has been widely welcomed by coaches and players, whilst maintaining the 5m rule used everywhere else on the pitch to provide space for the free hit taker.

- **Free hits awarded inside the defensive circle**

As in Indoor Hockey a defender may now take a free hit awarded in the circle anywhere inside the circle or up to 15 meters from the back-line in line with the location of the offence, parallel to the side-line.

- **Completion of a penalty corner**

Rule 13.6 that described the completion of a penalty corner for substitution purposes and for a penalty corner at the end of a period, has been deleted. The option that a penalty corner is completed when the ball travels outside the circle for the second time, no longer exists.

Narendra Modi @narendramodi

Kudos to all those who worked hard to ensure the 2018 Hockey World Cup is a resounding success.

Congratulations to the people and Government of Odisha for their warmth and hospitality.

Virender Sehwal @virendersehwal

Great time watching the quarterfinals of the hockey world cup. This was the afternoon match now enjoying the electrifying atmosphere in the #IndvNed quarter finals. Come on India!



Anil Kumble @anilkumble1074

At the #HWC2018 #Odisha2018 beautiful atmosphere at the Kalinga stadium



Sushil Kumar @WrestlerSushil

Meeting the captains at Opening of semi-final match #HockeyWorldCup2018 Belgium v/s England..!!



Narendra Modi @narendramodi

Congratulations to the @BELRedLions for winning the #HWC2018. I also congratulate @oranjehockey for their spirited fight.

The Final yesterday was a memorable match, with both sides playing excellent hockey. Best wishes to both the teams for their endeavours ahead. @FIH_Hockey

Madhuri Dixit Nene @MadhuriDixit

It's my absolute honor to support our country's national sport! It was also one of my most memorable performances. Kudos to the team for organizing a world-class event & putting #Odisha on the world map #HWC2018 🇮🇳🏒

Thank you for all the love 🙌❤️



Hockey India @TheHockeyIndia
We would like to thank @MadhuriDixit for gracing the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 with her presence.
#IndiaKaGame #HWC2018 #DilHockey
Show this thread

Sachin Tendulkar @sachin_rt

Heartwarming to see the entire nation supporting the Men's #HockeyWorldCup2018. Congrats @Naveen_Odisha @TheHockeyIndia for the world class arrangements. To extend my support, I'll be coming to the spectacular Kalinga Stadium tomorrow. See you there! @sports_odisha @FIH_Hockey



Naveen Patnaik @Naveen_Odisha

As curtains roll down on #HWC2018, my deep gratitude to all hockey fans in #Odisha for being the most encouraging audience ever. With over 4 crore brand ambassadors of #hockey, sports capital of India #Bhubaneswar will remain a citadel for future events #OdishaCelebratesHockey

Naveen Patnaik @Naveen_Odisha

Enjoyed an incredible final match of #HWC2018, between #BELvNED at #KalingaStadium with Hon'ble Governor, Odisha Prof Ganeshi Lal and little master @sachin_rt. Amazed to witness such enthusiasm for hockey from locals and visiting fans alike! #OdishaCelebratesHockey



Leander Paes @Leander

I dreamt of becoming an Olympian while ironing my dad's India hockey jersey. So to be at the Hockey World Cup here in India was a very precious moment for me. Thank you to the federation for hosting me, and best of luck to all the competitors. You know who I'm rooting for 🇮🇳🏒

Sudarsan Pattnaik @SudarsanPattnaik

Good luck Team India for the quarterfinals of the #HockeyWorldCup2018 today at #KalingaStadium! @TheHockeyIndia #INDvNED. My SandArt at puri beach in Odisha. #IndiaKaGame #DilHockey #HWC2018

