



Newsletter

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Message from

Ms. Mariamma Koshy President - Hockey India

The past couple of months for the sport of hockey have been filled with expectations, action, and achievements as we have seen progress in all our teams across junior and senior levels. The month of July saw the Senior Women's Team travel for the World League Semi-Final in Johannesburg, South Africa, where they finished the tournament on the 8th position. It was a learning experience for the group of players who participated in the tournament as we had a mixture of results on the tour. However, the team's aim will be to rectify the errors in their endeavours as they travel to Europe to gain more game experience which should see them perform well.

On the other hand, our Senior Men's Team went for their Europe Tour where they played exceedingly well given that it was a young squad. We were able to beat World Number 4 team Netherlands twice on the tour and won the last game against Austria to finish the Tour on a good note. Hockey India continues to promote and develop the sport in the country by providing the right facilities to players at the Junior level. We have been proved this again through the inception of the Centre of Excellence for both the junior men and women.

The 91st All India MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup Hockey Tournament 2017 also took place in the two months and it was encouraging to see all the participating teams do well. However, in the end, there can only be one winner as it was Oil and Natural Gas Corporation who won the tournament by beating Bengaluru Hockey Association 4-2 in the final match.

The future holds exciting times for the sport as we continue to work towards our goal of finishing on the podium in the future in both the men's and women's tournaments. I would like to thank the Associate Members, sponsors, players and Coaches for their continued support for the development of the game in the country.



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HOCKEY INDIA PARTNERS











7TH HOCKEY INDIA CONGRESS 2017

The 7th Hockey India Annual Congress was held on 25 July 2017 at Rockland Hotel, New Delhi. At the Congress, Mrs. Mariamma Koshy was unanimously reinstated as the President of Hockey India.













7TH HOCKEY INDIA CONGRESS 2017

Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad was reinstated as the Chairman of Hockey India League during the 7th Hockey India Annual Congress held on 25 July 2017 at Rockland Hotel, New Delhi.































WOMEN'S HOCKEY WORLD LEAGUE SEMI FINAL JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

The Indian Women's Hockey team participated in the recently concluded Women Hockey World League Semi - Final Johannesburg, South Africa from 8 - 23 July 2017. Here are some of the Action Shots during the tournament.













INDIAN WOMEN'S TEAM IN ACTION



















MATCH RESULT

















Hockey World League Semi - Final (Women) Johannesburg (RSA)

8 - 23 Jul 2017 Match Results

Match No.	Date	Description	Indian Time	Match	Results
1	08/07/2017	Pool A	15:30	JPN vs IRL	1-1
2	08/07/2017	Pool A	17:30	GER vs POL	1-0
3	08/07/2017	Pool B	19:30	USA vs CHI	1-0
4	08/07/2017	Pool B	21:30	RSA vs IND	0 - 0
5	10/07/2017	Pool B	15:30	ARG vs CHI	2 - 0
6	10/07/2017	Pool A	17:30	GER vs IRL	2 - 2
7	10/07/2017	Pool A	19:30	ENG vs POL	3 - 0
8	10/07/2017	Pool B	21:30	USA vs IND	4 - 1
9	12/07/2017	Pool B	15:30	IND vs CHI	1 -0
10	12/07/2017	Pool A	17:30	IRL vs POL	2 - 0
11	12/07/2017	Pool A	19:30	JPN vs ENG	1 - 0
12	12/07/2017	Pool B	21:30	RSA vs ARG	1 - 3
13	14/07/2017	Pool A	15:30	POL vs JPN	0 - 2
14	14/07/2017	Pool B	17:30	CHI vs RSA	1-0
15	14/07/2017	Pool B	19:30	USA vs ARG	0 - 4
16	14/07/2017	Pool A	21:30	GER vs ENG	0-1
17	16/07/2017	Pool A	15:30	JPN vs GER	0 - 3
18	16/07/2017	Pool A	17:30	ENG vs IRL	3 - 2
19	16/07/2017	Pool B	19:30	RSA vs USA	3 - 2
20	16/07/2017	Pool B	21:30	ARG vs HND	3 - 0
21	2 6/07/2017	QF	14:45	USA vs JPN	1-0
22	18/07/2017	QF	17:00	ARG vs IRL	2 - 1
23	18/07/2017	QF	19:15	ENG VS IND	4-1
24	18/07/2017	QF	21:30	GER vs RSA	1 - 0
25	20/07/2017	9th/10th Place	13:30	POL vs CHI	1 - 2
26	20/07/2017	5 / 8 Place	15:45	IND vs JPN	0 - 2
27	20/07/2017	5 / 8 Place	18:00	RSA vs IRL	3 - 0
29	20/07/2017	Semi Final	20:15	GER vs ARG	2 - 1
28	20/07/2017	Semi Final	22:30	ENG vs USA	1 - 1 (1 - 250)
30	22/07/2017	7th/8th Place	14:45	IND vs IRL	1 - 2
31	22/07/2017	5th/6th Place	17:00	JPN vs RSA	1-2
32	23/07/2017	3rd/4th Place	14:30	ENG vs ARG	5 - 2
33	23/07/2017	Final	19:00	USA vs GER	1 - 1 (3 - 250)



LAUNCHING OF HOCKEY COACHING CENTER

The Bengaluru Hockey Association launched a free hockey weekend coaching programme for both men and women at KSHA Hockey Stadium. The aim of this programme is to provide quality coaching for young players under the guidance of professional coaches, with physical trainers and free nutritional meals.

























91ST ALL INDIA MCC - MURUGAPPA GOLD CUP

ONGC beat Bengaluru Hockey Association by 4-2 to be crowned Champions of the 91st All India MCC Murugappa Gold Cup Hockey Tournament on 6 August 2017. All the winning team received Rs. 10,000 cash awards along with Macho Ti Gear Bicycle.

















HOCKEY INDIA ANNOUNCES INDIAN MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM FOR TOUR OF EUROPE

Hockey India announced the 18-member Indian Men's team for the Europe Tour of Belgium and Netherlands on 28 July 2017 where six junior players made their international debuts. The Europe Tour began with the Indian team taking on Belgium on August 9 in the first match in Boom, Belgium.

The team was Captained by Manpreet Singh while Chinglensana Singh was the Vice-Captain.



GOALKEEPERS	Akash Anil Chi	kte	Suraj Karkera		
DEFENDERS	Dipsan Tirkey	Kothajit Singh		Gurinder Singh	
	Amit Rohidas		Varun Kumar		
	SK Uthappa	Harjeet Singh		Manpreet Singh (Captain)	
MIDFIELDERS	Chinglensana Singh (Vice-Captain)	Sumit		Nilakanta Sharma	
FORWARDS	Mandeep Singh	Ramandeep Singh		Lalit Kumar Upadhyay	
	Gurjant Singh		Armaan Qureshi		



INDIAN MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM DEPARTS FOR TOUR OF EUROPE

The Indian Men's Hockey team led by Captain Manpreet Singh & Vice-Captain Chinglensana Singh departed for Belgium for the Tour of Europe from Bengaluru on 5th August 2017.



TOUR OF EUROPE - MATCH SCHEDULE





INDIAN MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM IN ACTION



















MATCH RESULT - TOUR OF EUROPE













INDIAN MEN'S ARRIVAL FROM THE TOUR OF EUROPE

The Indian Men's Hockey team arrived home and were greeted by the media after their successful Tour of Europe in the early morning hours of 18 August 2017 at Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi.

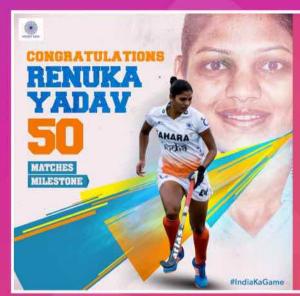








MILESTONE



Up coming Midfielder Renuka Yadav reaches the milestone of 50 International Matches for the Indian Women's Hockey Team at the Hockey World League Semi Final (Women), Johannesburg, South Africa on 16 July 2017 against Argentina.

A big round of applause for the prolific midfielder Chinglensana Singh on completing his 150th International Matches for the Indian Men's Hockey Team at the Tour of Europe in Boom, Belgium on 10 August 2017 against Belgium.





Forward Ramandeep Singh completed his 100th International Matches for the Indian Men's Hockey Team at the Tour of Europe in Amstelveen, Netherlands on 13 August 2017 against the Netherlands.



MILESTONE - MAIDEN INDIA CAP

The recently concluded Indian Men's Tour of Europe has witnessed six junior players making their debut for the Indian Men's Hockey team including goalkeeper Suraj Karkera and five of the Gold Medal winning squad from the Uttar Pradesh Hockey Junior World Cup Men Lucknow 2016 including Varun Kumar, Dipsan Tirkey, Nilakanta Sharma, Gurjant Singh and Armaan Qureshi.

Congratulations to all the debutants and also a special shout out to Armaan Qureshi and Varun Kumar for scoring their first International Goal during the Tour of Europe 2017.





HOCKEY INDIA NAMES 18 MEMBER SENIOR SQUAD FOR TOUR OF EUROPE (WOMEN)

Hockey India announced the 18 member Indian Women's Hockey team on 23 August 2017 for the 15 day Tour of Europe to begin from 5 September 2017 in the Netherlands. The team will be Captained by striker Rani while inform goalkeeper Savita will shoulder the duties of Vice-Captain.



GOALKEEPERS	Savita (Vice Captain)		Rajani Etimarpu	
DEFENDENC	Deep Grace Ekka	Gurjit Kaur	Navdeep Kaur	
DEFENDERS	Sunita Lakra		Rashmita Minz	
AMPEIE DEDC	Namita Toppo	Nikki Pradhan	Monika	
MIDFIELDERS	Karishma Yadav	Lilima Minz	Neha Goyal	
FORWARDS	Rani (Captain)	Poonam Rani	Vandana Katariya	
	Reena Khokha	ar	Lalremsiami	

EUROPE TOUR (WOMEN)

5 - 20 Sep 2017 Match Schedule

Match No.	Date	Time	Match	
1	08.09.2017	21:30	India vs Ladies Den Bosch	
2	11.09.2017	22:30	India vs Belgium Jr Men Team	
3	15.09.2017	21:30	India vs Ladies Den Bosch	
4	18.09.2017	22:30	India vs Belgium Jr Men Team	



ODISHA MEN'S HOCKEY WORLD LEAGUE FINAL BHUBANESWAR 2017

The 8 teams to qualify for the Odisha Men's Hockey World League Final Bhubaneswar 2017 have now been confirmed following the completion of the Hero Hockey World League Semi Final London 2017 and Hockey World League Semi Final Johannesburg 2017.







ODISHA HOCKEY MEN'S WORLD CUP BHUBANESWAR 2018

With the completion of the Hockey World League Semi Finals 2017, Pan American Cup Men 2017 and Rabo EuroHockey Championship Men 2017, 13 teams have booked their place for the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018. The remaining 3 spots will be taken up by the respective Continental Championship winners from Asia, Africa and Oceania in October 2017.



QUALIFIED TEAMS TILL AUGUST 2017

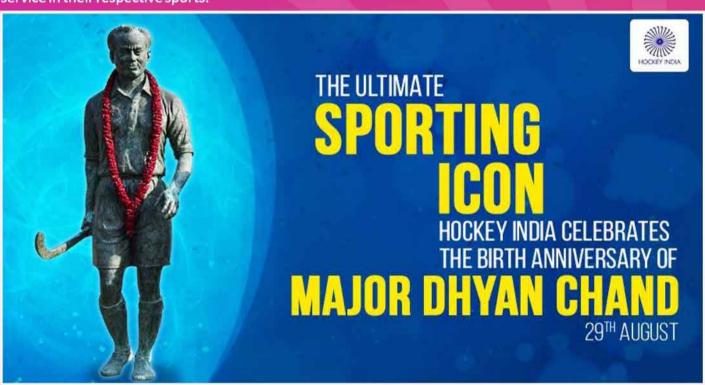
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CANADA	ENGLAND	GERMANY	IRELAND
MALAYSIA	NETHERLAND	NEW ZEALAND	PAKISTAN
SPAIN			

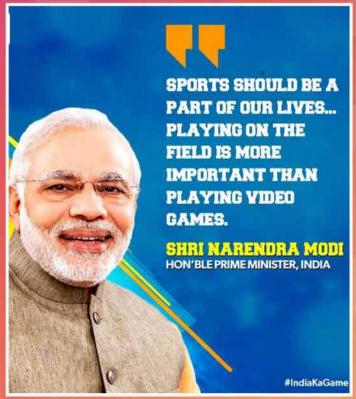


NATIONAL SPORTS DAY - 29 AUGUST

To commemorate Major Dhyan Chand birth anniversary, the Government of India in 2012 designated 29 August as the country's 'National Sports Day.'

On this occasion, the President of India gives out all the sports-related awards like the Arjuna, Dronacharya and Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna to honour sportspersons and coaches who have made the nation proud with their service in their respective sports.









JUDE FELIX APPOINTED AS COACH FOR THE INDIAN JUNIOR MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM

Hockey India announced the appointment of former India Captain Jude Felix Sebastian as Coach for the Indian Junior Men's Hockey team on 22 August 2017.

In the wake of the Indian team's successful Tour of Europe that featured nine players from last year's Junior Men's Core Group, India's High Performance Director David John emphasized that the programs initiated by Hockey India in the past five-six years are paying dividends with juniors rightfully pushing for a spot in the Senior team and thus increasing the talent pool in this new Olympic cycle.

Jude Felix will train the 33-member Junior Men's core group as they prepare to defend their Junior Men World Cup Champions title. "Jude Felix brings with him vast experience as former India Captain as well as a highly

reputed Coach. Under him, we want to strengthen the junior core group. With Hockey India's programs structured to bring good results in the 2020 and 2024 Olympic Games, I would expect players from this junior core group to push the seniors for a spot in the team," stated David John, Hockey India's High Performance Director.

He has also worked as player cum coach with Racing Club in Paris (European league and French League) in 1997 -2000. He also worked as the Coach of Dutch U-18 National Team in the Leo Van Der Kar in 1997.

On his appointment as the Chief Coach of the Indian Junior Men's Hockey Team, Jude Felix stated, "I am excited to take up this new role. The Junior Core Group was picked basis their performance in the National Championships and this group will be further pruned down to 18-member squad for the Sultan of Johor Cup, our first international tournament for this year."



AWARDS & HONOURSTEAM OF THE YEAR 2016

The Uttar Pradesh Hockey Junior Men World Cup 2016 Lucknow winning team defied all odds as they added yet another feather to their caps by bagging the Sports Illustrated Team of the Year Award on 6th July 2017 at the Sheraton Hotel in Mumbai.





DHYAN CHAND AWARD 2017

Ms. Sumrai Tete receiving the Dhyan Chand Award 2017 from Shri Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India for her life time contribution to sports development on 29 August 2017 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi



DRONACHARYA AWARD 2017

Shri P.A. Raphael receiving the Dronacharya Award for Hockey (Lifetime) from Shri Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India, at a glittering ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi on August 29, 2017.





AWARDS & HONOURS

RAJIV GANDHI KHEL RATNA AWARD 2017

Midfield maestro Sardar Singh was conferred with the prestigious Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award by the Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind on Tuesday 29 August 2017 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.

Accompanied by his proud parents on this momentous occasion, a visibly elated Sardar Singh stated, "My hard work for the last 15 - 20 years has paid off. When you do well, all the recognition and awards automatically come to you."

Sardar Singh became the youngest Captain of India when he led the side at the 2008 Sultan Azlan Shah Cup at the age of 22.

A recipient of the Padma Shri - the fourth highest civilian award - 2015, Sardar has two Asian Games medals - Gold in 2014 Incheon and Bronze in 2010 Guangzhou.





AWARDS & HONOURS

ARJUNA AWARD 2017

The Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind conferred SV Sunil with the prestigious Arjuna Award on Tuesday 29 August 2017 at a glittering ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.

The Bengaluru lad, who was also named the Asian Player of the Year 2016 earlier this year said, "When I first got to know that I will be receiving the award I was surprised. It's every sports person's dream to receive this award. I feel lucky. Personally, it means a lot to me. It is a huge boost and motivation for me and other players. When you get such awards, it's a recognition of the hard work that each player puts in."

Dedicating the award to his parents, Sunil says, "My parents are not with me today, but I dedicate this award to them."







BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER Women 09 Sunita Yadav OCTOBER Men Women Mohd. Saif Khan 03 07 Nilanjali Rai Suraj Karkera 14 **Gurjit Kaur** 25 15 **Dipsan Tirkey** S. Senthamizh Arasu 17 22 Satbir Singh NOVEMBER Men Women 09 **Pratap Lakra Amritpal Kaur** 04 Rupinder Pal Singh 11 05 Monika **Sunny Malik** 11 15 Neha Goyal 12 **Dilpreet Singh** 19 Sadhana Sengar 23 Surender Kumar 22 Supriya Mundu



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