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Message from
Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra
President - Hockey India &
Chairman - Hero Hockey India League

It has been an eventful quarter for Hockey India.

Hockey India hosted the 35th edition of Champions Trophy in Bhubaneswar from December 6-14. While Germany was the winner, the Indian team fared well and was placed fourth in the Tournament. Players from the Indian squad were also recognised for their outstanding performance during the tournament. My congratulations to P R Sreejesh for winning the Tata Steel Best Goalkeeper of the tournament, Akashdeep Singh for MCL Best

Junior Player of the tournament, Sardar Singh for NALCO Fan's Choice and SV Sunil for Cairn India Most Energetic Player awards. The team had won the Indo-Australia series in Perth earlier in November.

The Indian Junior Women Hockey Team also played a six match series against New Zealand which was followed by the Senior Women team who were a tough competition to Italy. India's Junior Men Team stood tall against Australia, Japan and New Zealand in Australia which is a great achievement.

In its endeavour to produce and nurture young talent, Hockey India also recently announced the launch of its 'Online Academy Platform' to guide the young talent. The initiative is a comprehensive programme aimed at helping young aspirants to learn the new tricks, strategies and development in the game.

Hockey India also announced the 'Hockey India Annual Awards' from the current year for the most promising and potent players from the current as well as upcoming teams. The list includes Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement award and the Dhruv Batra Player of the year awards for men and women, upcoming player of the year awards for men and women, defender of the year, midfielder of year, forward of the year, award for invaluable contribution and President Award for Outstanding Achievement.

Friends, we are close to hosting the third edition of Hero Hockey India League 2015. The four week excitement will keep the fans hooked to hockey. All the teams are gearing up for the big fight. I wish them all the very best. May the best team win!

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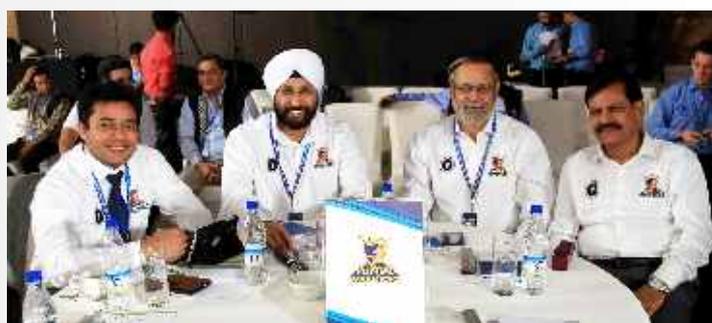


Franchises equips itself with their respective teams for the 'Third Edition' of Hero Hockey India League

Belgium Striker Tom Boon the highest bid player for the season, bagged by Dabang Mumbai at USD 103,000

Building up for the upcoming Hero Hockey India League 2015, all the six franchises which includes defending champions Delhi Waveriders along with Uttar Pradesh Wizards, Kalinga Lancers, Jaypee Punjab Warriors and new franchise owners Dabang Mumbai and Ranchi Rays, were seen bidding their best numbers to get hold of players for their respective squad and ensuring the right amalgamation for their teams. With Dabang Mumbai sitting for the bid, had to ensure that they had in place a team which was as competitive as the rest of the franchises which had to their name, players like Sardar Singh, Jamie Dwyer, Moritz Fuerste, Mandeep Singh.

The Hero HIL Players Closed Bid 2014 saw some dramatic bidding for a total of 149 players amongst the six franchises which includes 95 domestic and 54 foreign players. It was Belgium striker Tom Boon which was the most fought amongst the franchise and was finally bagged by Dabang Mumbai at USD 103000 and a price which is the highest that any player in the Hero Hockey India League has been bought for when compared to the last two editions.



Hero Hockey India League Schedule 2015

Match No.	Date	Time	Home Team	Away Team	Venue
1	Thursday 22 January	19:00	KL	RR	Bhubaneswar
2	Friday 23 January	15:00	UPW	DWR	Lucknow
3	Friday 23 January	19:00	DM	JPW	Mumbai
4	Saturday 24 January	19:00	DM	RR	Mumbai
5	Sunday 25 January	19:00	JPW	KL	Mohali
6	Monday 26 January	17:00	RR	DWR	Ranchi
7	Monday 26 January	19:00	JPW	UPW	Mohali
Tuesday 27 January			R E S T D A Y		
8	Wednesday 28 January	19:00	RR	DM	Ranchi
9	Thursday 29 January	15:00	UPW	KL	Lucknow
10	Friday 30 January	19:00	DWR	JPW	Delhi
11	Saturday 31 January	19:00	KL	UPW	Bhubaneswar
12	Sunday 01 February	17:00	DWR	DM	Delhi
13	Sunday 01 February	19:00	KL	JPW	Bhubaneswar
Monday 02 February			R E S T D A Y		
14	Tuesday 03 February	15:00	UPW	RR	Lucknow
15	Wednesday 04 February	15:00	UPW	JPW	Lucknow
16	Thursday 05 February	19:00	DM	DWR	Mumbai
17	Friday 06 February	19:00	RR	KL	Ranchi
18	Saturday 07 February	19:00	JPW	DWR	Mohali
19	Sunday 08 February	17:00	RR	UPW	Ranchi
20	Sunday 08 February	19:00	DM	KL	Mumbai
Monday 09 February			R E S T D A Y		
21	Tuesday 10 February	19:00	RR	JPW	Ranchi
22	Wednesday 11 February	19:00	DM	UPW	Mumbai
23	Thursday 12 February	19:00	KL	DWR	Bhubaneswar
24	Friday 13 February	19:00	KL	DM	Bhubaneswar
25	Saturday 14 February	19:00	DWR	RR	Delhi
26	Sunday 15 February	15:00	UPW	DM	Lucknow
27	Sunday 15 February	19:00	DWR	KL	Delhi
Monday 16 February			R E S T D A Y		
28	Tuesday 17 February	19:00	JPW	RR	Mohali
29	Wednesday 18 February	19:00	DWR	UPW	Delhi
30	Thursday 19 February	19:00	JPW	DM	Mohali
Friday 20 February			R E S T D A Y		
31	Saturday 21 February	17:30	Semi Final 1 (Team 1 vs Team 4)		Delhi
32	Saturday 21 February	20:00	Semi Final 2 (Team 2 vs Team 3)		Delhi
33	Sunday 22 February	17:30	3rd / 4th Place (Loser M31 vs Loser M32)		Delhi
34	Sunday 22 February	20:00	Final (Winner M31 vs Winner M32)		Delhi



RANCHI RAYS

New Team in the Third Edition of Hero Hockey India League



DABANG MUMBAI

New Team in the Third Edition of Hero Hockey India League



Suresh Raina becomes Co-Owner of UP Wizards



TEAM PLAYER LISTING



Adrian D'Souza

Age	Position	Country
30	Goalkeeper	India



Nilakanta Sharma

Age	Position	Country
19	Midfielder	India



Vinaya Vokkaliga Swamy

Age	Position	Country
29	Midfielder	India



Tyron Pereira

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	India



Rajat Sharma

Age	Position	Country
19	Midfielder	India



Vikas Vishnu Pillay

Age	Position	Country
25	Midfielder	India



Arjun Halappa

Age	Position	Country
34	Midfielder	India



Tom Boon

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	Belgium



Glenn Turner

Age	Position	Country
30	Forward	Australia



Jeremy Hayward

Age	Position	Country
21	Defender	Australia



Timothy Deavin

Age	Position	Country
31	Defender	Australia



Floris Evers

Age	Position	Country
31	Midfielder	Netherlands



Anup Amarपाल Valmiki

Age	Position	Country
20	Forward	India



Harmanpreet Singh

Age	Position	Country
19	Defender	India



Amit Gowda

Age	Position	Country
24	Defender	India



Santa Singh

Age	Position	Country
18	Midfielder	India



Chinglensana S Kangujam

Age	Position	Country
23	Midfielder	India



Bharat

Age	Position	Country
29	Forward	India



Vikram Vishnu Pillay

Age	Position	Country
33	Midfielder	India



Matthew Swann

Age	Position	Country
25	Midfielder	Australia



David Harte

Age	Position	Country
26	Goalkeeper	Ireland



Nick Catlin

Age	Position	Country
25	Midfielder	England



Tomas Prochazka

Age	Position	Country
30	Defender	Czech Republic



Conor Harte

Age	Position	Country
26	Defender	Ireland



TEAM PLAYER LISTING



Gurvinder Singh Chandi

Age	Position	Country
25	Forward	India



Simon Child

Age	Position	Country
26	Forward	New Zealand



Matt Gohdes

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	Australia



Danish Mujtaba

Age	Position	Country
27	Forward	India



Tristan White

Age	Position	Country
24	Defender	Australia



Diwakar Ram

Age	Position	Country
25	Defender	India



Yuvraj Walmiki

Age	Position	Country
25	Forward	India



Rassie Pieterse

Age	Position	Country
31	Goalkeeper	South Africa



Jason Wilson

Age	Position	Country
27	Forward	Australia



Sardar Singh

Age	Position	Country
28	Midfielder	India



Steven Edwards

Age	Position	Country
29	Defender	New Zealand



Tim Drummond

Age	Position	Country
26	Midfielder	South Africa



Bipin Kishor Kerketta

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India



Armaan Qureshi

Age	Position	Country
20	Forward	India



Imran Khan

Age	Position	Country
19	Forward	India



Lloyd Norris-Jones

Age	Position	Country
28	Forward	South Africa



Akashdeep Singh

Age	Position	Country
20	Forward	India



Talwinder Singh

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India



Pirmin Blaak

Age	Position	Country
26	Goalkeeper	Netherlands



Surender Kumar

Age	Position	Country
21	Defender	India



Gurbaj Singh

Age	Position	Country
26	Midfielder	India



Rupinder Pal Singh

Age	Position	Country
24	Defender	India



Andrew Hayward

Age	Position	Country
29	Defender	New Zealand



Gurpreet Singh

Age	Position	Country
28	Goalkeeper	India



TEAM PLAYER LISTING



Bharat Chetri

Age	Position	Country
33	Goalkeeper	India



Dharamvir Singh

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	India



Gurmail Singh

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India



Affan Yousuf

Age	Position	Country
20	Forward	India



SV Sunil

Age	Position	Country
25	Forward	India



Gurinder Singh

Age	Position	Country
20	Midfielder	India



Varun Kumar

Age	Position	Country
19	Defender	India



Lucas Rey

Age	Position	Country
32	Midfielder	Argentina



Kieran Govers

Age	Position	Country
26	Forward	Australia



Simon Orchard

Age	Position	Country
28	Midfielder	Australia



Mark Knowles

Age	Position	Country
30	Defender	Australia



Jake Whetton

Age	Position	Country
23	Forward	Australia



Sandeep Singh

Age	Position	Country
28	Defender	India



Gaganpreet Singh

Age	Position	Country
20	Defender	India



Malak Singh

Age	Position	Country
22	Forward	India



Sumit Toppo

Age	Position	Country
18	Forward	India



Satbir Singh

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India



Jarmanpreet Singh

Age	Position	Country
18	Midfielder	India



Simranjeet Singh

Age	Position	Country
18	Midfielder	India



Jamie Dwyer

Age	Position	Country
35	Forward	Australia



Rob Hammond

Age	Position	Country
33	Midfielder	Australia



Christopher Ciriello

Age	Position	Country
29	Defender	Australia



Jaap Stockman

Age	Position	Country
30	Goalkeeper	Netherlands



Agustin Mazilli

Age	Position	Country
25	Midfielder	Argentina



TEAM PLAYER LISTING



Harjot Singh

Age	Position	Country
20	Goalkeeper	India



Mohd. Amir Khan

Age	Position	Country
21	Midfielder	India



David Minz

Age	Position	Country
20	Midfielder	India



Vickram Kanth

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	India



Vikas Sharma

Age	Position	Country
24	Midfielder	India



Roshan Minz

Age	Position	Country
27	Forward	India



P Sommantha Pudiyokkada

Age	Position	Country
22	Forward	India



Kiel Brown

Age	Position	Country
30	Midfielder	Australia



Gonzalo Peillat

Age	Position	Country
22	Defender	Argentina



Roca Oliva Isern

Age	Position	Country
25	Midfielder	Spain



Glenn Simpson

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	Australia



Andrew Charter

Age	Position	Country
27	Goalkeeper	Australia



Mandeep Antil

Age	Position	Country
25	Forward	India



Dipsan Tirkey

Age	Position	Country
16	Defender	India



Mohd. Nizammudin

Age	Position	Country
18	Forward	India



Devinder Sunil Walmiki

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India



Lalit Kumar Upadhyay

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India



Gurjinder Singh

Age	Position	Country
20	Defender	India



Ryan Archibald

Age	Position	Country
34	Midfielder	New Zealand



Lucas Villa

Age	Position	Country
28	Forward	Argentina



Ramon Alegre

Age	Position	Country
33	Defender	Spain



Russell Ford

Age	Position	Country
31	Forward	Australia



Aran Zalewski

Age	Position	Country
23	Defender	Australia



TEAM PLAYER LISTING

**Sushant Tirkey**

Age	Position	Country
21	Goalkeeper	India

**Amon Mirash Tirkey**

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India

**Parvinder Singh**

Age	Position	Country
19	Forward	India

**K Kothajit Singh**

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India

**Manpreet Singh**

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India

**Ajitesh Roy**

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	India

**Anand Lakra**

Age	Position	Country
18	Defender	India

**Fergus Kavanagh**

Age	Position	Country
29	Defender	Australia

**Nick Budgeon**

Age	Position	Country
26	Midfielder	Australia

**Barry Middleton**

Age	Position	Country
31	Midfielder	England

**Justin Reid-Ross**

Age	Position	Country
28	Defender	South Africa

**Trent Mitton**

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	Australia

**Stanli Victor Minz**

Age	Position	Country
22	Forward	India

**Mandeep Singh**

Age	Position	Country
19	Forward	India

**Prabhdeep Singh**

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India

**Birendra Lakra**

Age	Position	Country
24	Defender	India

**Amit Rohidas**

Age	Position	Country
21	Defender	India

**Ajay Yadav**

Age	Position	Country
18	Forward	India

**Pawan Kumar**

Age	Position	Country
19	Forward	India

**Ashley Jackson**

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	England

**Nicolas Wilson**

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	New Zealand

**Austin Smith**

Age	Position	Country
29	Midfielder	South Africa

**Tyler Lovell**

Age	Position	Country
27	Goalkeeper	Australia

**Daniel Beale**

Age	Position	Country
21	Midfielder	Australia



TEAM PLAYER LISTING

**M Gunasekar**

Age	Position	Country
22	Forward	India

**Ramandeep Singh**

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India

**Nithin Thimmaiah**

Age	Position	Country
26	Forward	India

**Harmanpreet Singh Bal**

Age	Position	Country
24	Forward	India

**Pardeep Mor**

Age	Position	Country
22	Midfielder	India

**V R Raghunath**

Age	Position	Country
26	Defender	India

**Sreejesh PR**

Age	Position	Country
26	Goalkeeper	India

**George Bazeley**

Age	Position	Country
30	Goalkeeper	Australia

**Kumar Subramaniam**

Age	Position	Country
35	Goalkeeper	Malaysia

**Alexander Baart**

Age	Position	Country
26	Midfielder	Netherlands

**Jolie Wouter**

Age	Position	Country
29	Defender	Netherlands

**Bob De Voogd**

Age	Position	Country
26	Midfielder	Netherlands

**Tushar Khandker**

Age	Position	Country
29	Forward	India

**Nikkin Thimmaiah**

Age	Position	Country
23	Forward	India

**S K Uthappa**

Age	Position	Country
21	Forward	India

**Jasjit Singh Kular**

Age	Position	Country
25	Forward	India

**Harjeet Singh**

Age	Position	Country
19	Midfielder	India

**Harbir Singh**

Age	Position	Country
24	Defender	India

**Sumit**

Age	Position	Country
18	Midfielder	India

**Eddie Ockenden**

Age	Position	Country
27	Midfielder	Australia

**Jeroen Hertzberger**

Age	Position	Country
28	Forward	Netherlands

**Marcel Balkestein**

Age	Position	Country
33	Defender	Netherlands

**David Alegre**

Age	Position	Country
30	Midfielder	Spain

**Shea McAleese**

Age	Position	Country
30	Midfielder	New Zealand

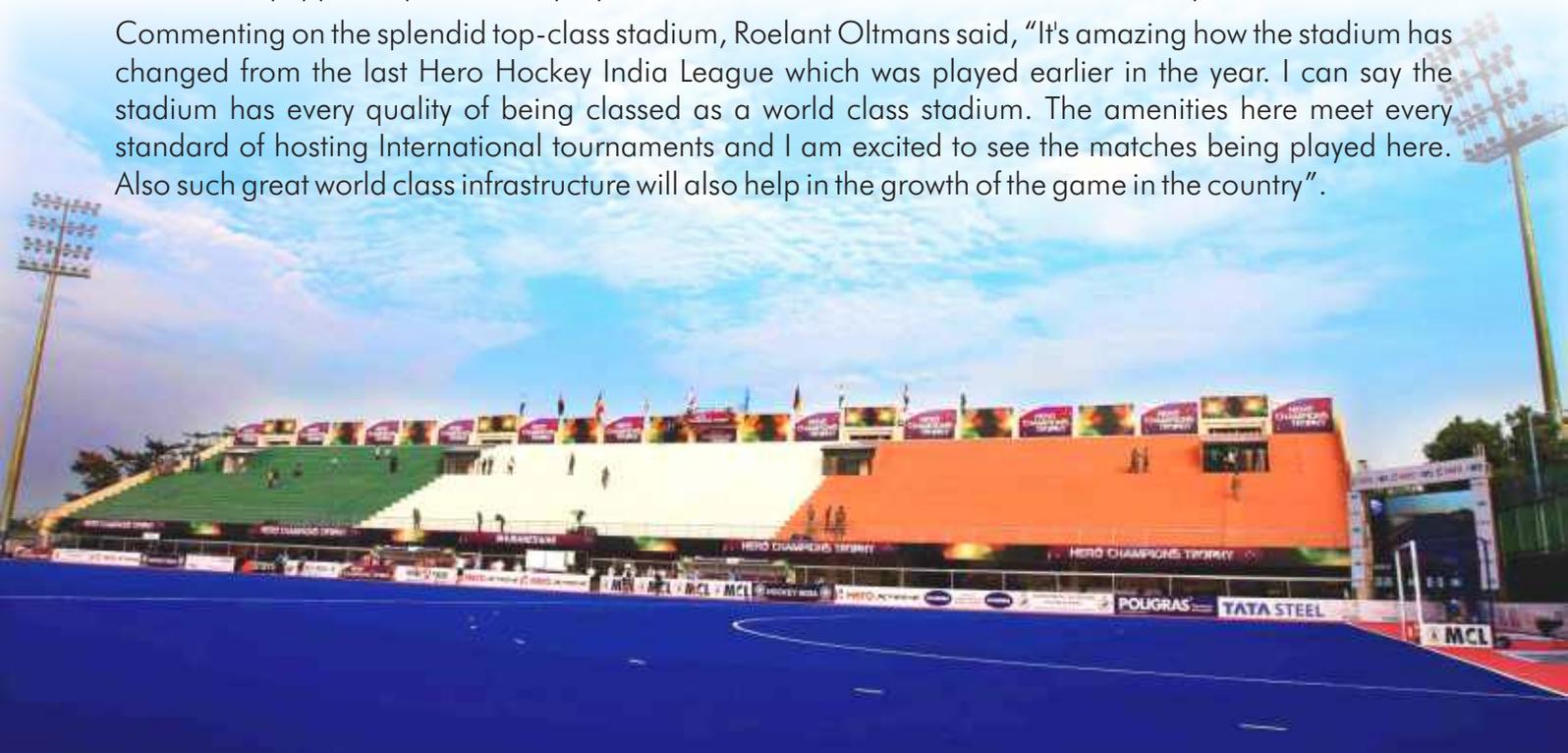
The Illustrious Kalinga hosted Successfully Hero Men's Champions Trophy 2014



Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar hosted successfully the Hero Men's Champions Trophy 2014. It got due credit of being a world class, multi-purpose stadium with superb facilities.

Creating a top-notch destination for world class hockey, the Kalinga stadium was fabricated in 2010 with a seating capacity of 7,000 spectators. With premier and illustrious flood-lights installed in the arena, the stadium even flaunts of being India's first to meet the Olympic standard of pink and blue hockey turfs. The stadium with both its Pitch 1 & 2, hosted the best teams. The stadium also boasts of huge changing rooms which are equipped to provide the players the comfort and relaxation of a home, away from home.

Commenting on the splendid top-class stadium, Roelant Oltmans said, "It's amazing how the stadium has changed from the last Hero Hockey India League which was played earlier in the year. I can say the stadium has every quality of being classed as a world class stadium. The amenities here meet every standard of hosting International tournaments and I am excited to see the matches being played here. Also such great world class infrastructure will also help in the growth of the game in the country".

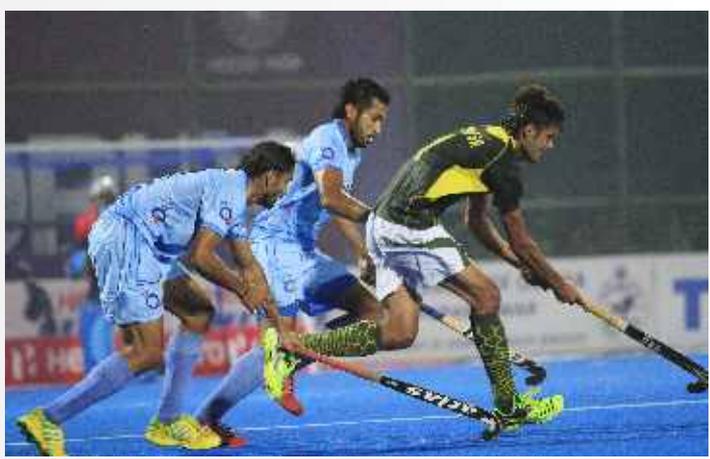












Award Winners

Hero Men's Champions Trophy 2014



MCL Best Junior Player of the Tournament: AKASHDEEP SINGH, INDIA

Cairn India most Energetic Player: SV SUNIL, INDIA

NALCO Fan's Choice Award: SARDAR SINGH, INDIA

Tata Steel Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament: P R SREEJESH, INDIA



Hero Top Scorer of the Tournament: JEROEN HERTZBERGER, NETHERLANDS

Hero Best Player of the Tournament: MORITZ FUERSTE, GERMANY



Hero Men's Champions Trophy 2014

Bhubaneswar (IND) – 6 / 14 December 2014



Match Results

Date	Match #	Time	Pool	Match			Results
Saturday 6 Dec	1	12:00	A	Australia	v	England	1-3
	2	14:00	A	Belgium	v	Pakistan	2-1
	3	17:30	B	Netherlands	v	Argentina	3-0
	4	19:30	B	Germany	v	India	1-0
Sunday 7 Dec	5	12:00	A	Belgium	v	Australia	4-4
	6	14:00	A	England	v	Pakistan	8-2
	7	17:30	B	Germany	v	Netherlands	1-4
	8	19:30	B	Argentina	v	India	4-2
Monday 8 Dec	Rest Day						
Tuesday 9 Dec	9	12:00	B	Argentina	v	Germany	3-0
	10	14:00	A	England	v	Belgium	1-1
	11	17:30	A	Australia	v	Pakistan	3-0
	12	19:30	B	Netherlands	v	India	2-3
Wednesday 10 Dec	Rest Day						
Thursday 11 Dec	13	11:30	QF1 ¹	Netherlands	v	Pakistan	2-4
	14	13:45	QF2 ¹	Argentina	v	Australia	2-4
	15	17:15	QF3 ¹	England	v	Germany	0-2
	16	19:30	QF4 ¹	Belgium	v	India	2-4
Friday 12 Dec	Rest Day						
Saturday 13 Dec	17	11:30	5/8 ²	Belgium	v	Netherlands	2-4(SO)
	18	13:45	5/8 ²	England	v	Argentina	1-2
	19	17:15	SF1 ²	Germany	v	Australia	3-2
	20	19:30	SF2 ²	India	v	Pakistan	3-4
Sunday 14 Dec	21	11:30	7 / 8 ³	England	v	Belgium	3-2
	22	13:45	5 / 6 ³	Argentina	v	Netherlands	1-4
	23	17:15	3 / 4 ³	Australia	v	India	2-1
	24	19:30	Final	Germany	v	Pakistan	2-0

Hockey India announces new Office Bearers during the 4th Hockey India Congress

Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra elected unopposed as the President & Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad as the Secretary General

Hockey India announced its new Office Bearers during the 4th Hockey India Congress held at Hotel Holiday Inn in New Delhi on 13th October 2014. Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra who successfully completed his term of four years as the Secretary General was elected unopposed as President of Hockey India for a four year term starting 13th October 2014.

Dr. Batra's dynamic leadership and players centric approach has already helped India bag medals at major international events including the Indian Junior Women Hockey Team winning the first ever medal in FIH Junior Women World Cup 2013, Indian Women Hockey team winning the Bronze medal in the 2014 Asian Games and Indian Men Hockey Team winning the Silver medal in 2014 Commonwealth Games and Gold medal in 2014 Asian Games. This was all possible because of his determination and vision and from here he aims to take the game a notch higher in the coming years.





President	Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra
Senior Vice Presidents	Ms. Mariamma Koshy (Kerala Hockey)
Vice Presidents	Ms. Gayathri Shetty (Hockey Karnataka)
	Dr. Shobha Singh (Hockey Rajasthan)
	Mr. Anandeshwar Pandey (Uttar Pradesh Hockey)
	Mr. Tapan Kumar Das (Assam Hockey)
Secretary General	Md. Mushtaque Ahmad
Treasurer	Mr. Rajinder Singh
Joint Secretaries	Ms. Asha Thakur (Delhi Hockey)
	Ms. Asima Ali (Hockey Jammu & Kashmir)
	Mr. Kishor Singh Bafila (Hockey Uttarakhand)
	Mr. Hitesh Sindwani (Delhi Hockey)
Exe. Board Members	Ms. Madhu Katyal (Uttar Pradesh Hockey)
	Ms. Asunta Lakra (Hockey Jharkhand and Former Captain of Indian Women Hockey Team)
	Mr. Gyanendro Ningombam (Manipur Hockey)
	Mr. Firoz Ansari (Chhattisgarh Hockey)
	Mr. V A Shiyad (Hockey Andaman & Nicobar)

Hockey India announces Hockey India On-line Academy Platform

Hockey India in its endeavour to produce and nurture young talent in hockey, on 17th December 2014 announced the launch of its online academy platform which gives a huge boost to the coaches who are responsible towards the development of young talent from the grass-roots level.

The initiative coined as Hockey India On-line Academy platform is a comprehensive programme designed and created by Hockey India. This Online Hockey Academy platform is aimed at helping the coaches sitting in different parts of the country to learn the new tricks, strategies and development in the game and they in turn can inculcate in the daily learning routing of the young brigades.

The On-line Hockey Academy also helps keep the coaches abreast with the latest techniques of coaching and who in turn can work towards ensuring that the players adapt to these technical aspects.

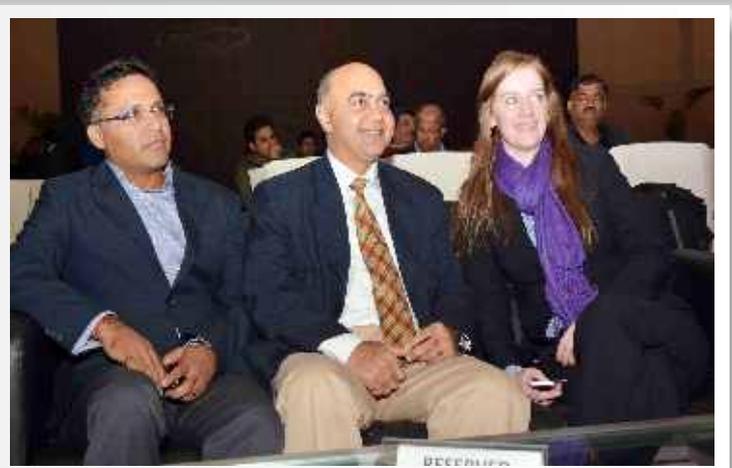
Speaking on the occasion, Hockey India Secretary General Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad said, "It is a proud moment for Hockey India today as we take another step forward in order to foster and motivate the young talents of hockey to learn and adapt to the modern styles of hockey. This initiative is focused at helping the coaches to learn about the latest developments and introduce the same to their respective unit. Also, it's a known fact, newer and innovative ways of learning will make the players start thinking on the field and in the process cull out one's own way of playing, which will help him / her grow and get ready for the on-field challenges".

HOCKEY INDIA ONLINE ACADEMY PLATFORM



Speaking on the initiative, Director High Performance, Mr. Roelant Oltmans said, "We realized that the online world is no more limited to a few and everyone is sitting and learning online. While efforts are being put in to physically keep the coaches aware of the development in the game internationally. This online academy platform showcases every facet of the game from the right way to hold the hockey stick to what is the right posture when one wants to hit that perfect penalty corner. The videos even show moments from different matches which help to understand how players react under pressure and the immediate strategies that the team follows on the field".

The Hockey India On-line Academy platform went LIVE from 17th December 2014 and can be visited on www.hioap.org



India pulls off a spectacular victory over Australia; wins series 3-1



Post winning the India- Australia test series at Perth, Australia, the Indian men's hockey team returned home to a rousing reception by Hockey India (HI), fans and friends at the Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi on 11th November 2014.

The Sardar Singh – led team delivered an incredible performance to defeat World Champions Australia 3-1 to win their third successive match and clinch the four-match Test Series.

Results

Date	Match	Result
04 November 2014	Vs Australia	0-4
05 November 2014	Vs Australia	2-1
08 November 2014	Vs Australia	1-0
09 November 2014	Vs Australia	3-1





Indian Junior Men Hockey Team retains the Sultan of Johor Cup title as they defeat Great Britain 2-1 in the final

An aggressive final of the 4th Sultan of Johor Cup played at the Taman Daya Hockey Stadium in Johor Bahru, Malaysia on 19th October 2014, between India and Great Britain filled with pace and excitement saw the Indian Junior Men Hockey team stealing the show away from Great Britain with the final score of 2-1 and retaining the title of the Sultan of Johor Cup for the second time.

The first half of the game saw a tight clash between the two teams and some extra ordinary efforts by the Indian players and the Indian goalkeeper Abhinav Pandey combined, in saving some crucial goal attempts coming in from Great Britain. Where both the teams successfully penetrated each other's Ds, none of the two teams could manage to break through the defence wall and open the goal account as the scoreboard saw 0-0 till the end of the first half.

Taking the excitement a notch up in the second half of the game, both the teams went all out to strike the first goal of the match. It was only in the 46th minute of the game when India earned its first penalty corner and a flawless conversion by Harmanpreet Singh helped India open the goal account and taking the lead by 1-0 in the game. In the 56th minute of the game, Great Britain secured their first penalty corner and Samuel French converted it to level the scores at 1-1.

It was India's dragflicker Harmanpreet Singh who stole the show away by making no mistakes in converting yet another penalty corner with only 45 seconds remaining in the match itself and sealed the game at 2-1 for India making them the undisputed champions in the 4th Sultan of Johor Cup.

Results

Date	Match	Result
12 October 2014	Vs New Zealand	2-1
13 October 2014	Vs Great Britain	0-2
15 October 2014	Vs Pakistan	6-0
16 October 2014	Vs Malaysia	4-2
18 October 2014	Vs Australia	6-2
19 October 2014	Vs Great Britain	2-1





Junior Men Hockey Team Wins in Australia

Performing intensely and continuing their winning spree, the Indian Junior Men Team toppled New Zealand 6-0 in the last game of the competition in Australia on 11th December 2014. Harmanpreet Singh scored a hat-trick as the young Indian team finished the series 4-1. The games were being played at the Gold Coast, Australia and were in preparation for the 8th Men's Junior Asia Cup in 2015.

Results

Date	Match	Result
04 December 2014	Vs New Zealand	5-1
07 December 2014	Vs Japan	7-0
08 December 2014	Vs Australia	1-3
10 December 2014	Vs Australia	4-2
11 December 2014	Vs New Zealand	6-0



Junior Women toured New Zealand (November 03-15)

Getting ready for the Junior Women Asia Cup to be held this year, a six-match training and test series against New Zealand was played at TET Multisports Centre, Stratford from 03 November to 15 November 2014. The test series was conducted to assist the Indian women team to gain international exposure and groom them to bravely face bigger challenges of the game in times to come.

The 18-member Junior Indian women's team, led by the very skilful defender Deep Grace Ekka, showcased a brilliant game of hockey throughout the tournament, giving a tough fight to the opponents in the matches played. Although the Indian eves went down 0-3 to Black Stick Women, they put up a strong fight every time they faced the rival team.

The tour facilitated the team to realise their strengths and weaknesses and gave them a splendid opportunity to work and rework on their game, subsequently giving them a prospect to put their game-plan in place and perfect the required skill-sets.



Results

Date	Match	Result
05 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	1-2
06 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	2-2
08 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	0-5
09 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	2-3
12 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	3-3
13 November 2014	Vs New Zealand	2-2



Senior Women toured Italy (December 01-12)

Gearing up for the World League Round 2 slotted for March 2015 in New Delhi, the Indian Women Hockey Team toured Italy for a five-match test series from 3 December – 12 December 2014. Playing against the hosts, the tour provided the Indian eves a stupendous opportunity to experience international hockey, helping them to brush-up their game and learn new tricks of the trade.

Captained by midfielder Ritu Rani, the Indian women braved Italy with full confidence and fervour, showing some brilliant game of hockey. Both the teams of parallel expertise played their best hockey putting up a thrilling tournament altogether. While the hosts clinched the series 2-1, the Indian women returned home with some precious learning of the game, promising a better show in the coming times.



Results

Date	Match	Result
04 December 2014	Vs Italy	0-0
06 December 2014	Vs Italy	1-1
07 December 2014	Vs Italy	1-3
09 December 2014	Vs Italy	1-2
11 December 2014	Vs Italy	3-1



Indian Men Hockey Team received a grand welcome at Indian Embassy in Seoul

The Indian Men Hockey Team received a grand welcome by Indian Embassy in Seoul, Republic of Korea after winning the Gold medal at the 17th Asian Games in Incheon. Celebrating the victory of Indian Men Hockey Team in the final of the Asian Games, Indian Embassy hosted a dinner for all players and support staff.



Player's Milestones

Playing against Australia, Sardar Singh completes his 200th International Cap

In the Test Series against Australia, where the Sardar led team gave a tough fight to the Australians and beat them, another achievement was added to Indian Captain Sardar Singh's credit, as he successfully played and completed his 200th match during the last match of the Test Series played on 9th November 2014.



Playing against Australia, Rupinder Pal Singh completes his 100th International Cap

In the Test Series against Australia, where Indian Men performed exceptionally well by beating them 3-1 in the test series, Defender Rupinder Pal Singh in the third match of the Test Series achieved his 100th International Cap.



Hero MotoCorp felicitates India's Gold-Winning Hockey Heroes!

Rewards Each Player With Rs 2 Lakhs & Hero Zmr Bike & Each Support Staff With Rs 1 Lakh

In keeping with its long-term commitment to nurture and promote the national game, Hero MotoCorp Ltd (HMCL), the world's largest two-wheeler manufacturer, felicitated the Indian National Hockey team for winning the Gold at the 17th Asian Games 2014 at Incheon, at a glittering ceremony in the capital on 15th October 2014.

As a gesture of appreciation for winning the Gold and thereby qualifying for the Rio Olympics 2016, Hero MotoCorp also rewarded each member of the team with Rs 2,00,000/- and a 225cc Hero ZMR bike. The company also rewarded each support staff of the team with Rs 1,00,000/-.





Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra honoured with FIH Prestigious Award



The International Hockey Federation (FIH) gave its prestigious President's Award to Hockey India (HI) president Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra at the conclusion of its Congress on 4th November 2014.

The President's Awards were presented to Mr. Narinder Dhruv Batra and Italian Valentina Quaranta for their "lengthy and valuable services" to the sport.

An FIH statement said that "Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, for his commitment to the development of hockey in India during the last five years, including the creation of the Hockey India League (HIL)" got the award.

Hockey India announces first ever Hockey India Annual Awards

Recognized in promoting hockey as a sport both nationally as well as on the international platform, Hockey India on 10th November announced the first ever 'Hockey India Annual Awards' for the sport.

Known in the sports arena for their contribution towards hockey and working dedicatedly towards the betterment of the sport as well as motivating its players in each category, Hockey India will now be seen identifying and rewarding the most promising and potent players from the current as well as upcoming teams.

Speaking on the announcement, Hockey India Secretary General Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad said, "It is huge leap that we at Hockey India are preparing for. These awards are not only focused towards the welfare of the players but will ultimately help in boosting the morale of the players and motivating them to perform even better. The Hockey India family as an organisation takes pride in announcing the Hockey India Annual Awards for the Players. He added, "In remembrance of the late Mr. Dhruv Batra who passed away on 29th October 2014, during the FIH Congress, the son of President,

Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, the Board thought it was fitting to name the 'Player of the Year' awards in the category of men and women to the remarkable young man that was Mr. Dhruv Batra."

List of Awards –

Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award	Rs.30,00,000/-
Dhruv Batra Player of the Year (Men) –	Rs.25,00,000/-
Dhruv Batra Player of the Year (Women) –	Rs.25,00,000/-
Upcoming Player of the Year (Men – Under 21) –	Rs.10,00,000/-
Upcoming Player of the Year (Women – Under 21) –	Rs.10,00,000/-
Goalkeeper of the Year –	Rs.5,00,000/-
Defender of the Year –	Rs.5,00,000/-
Midfielder of the Year –	Rs.5,00,000/-
Forward of the Year –	Rs.5,00,000/-
Award for Invaluable Contribution (For coaches and support staff) –	Rs.5,00,000/-
President Award for Outstanding Achievement –	Rs.5,00,000/-

Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra elected to FIH Executive Board

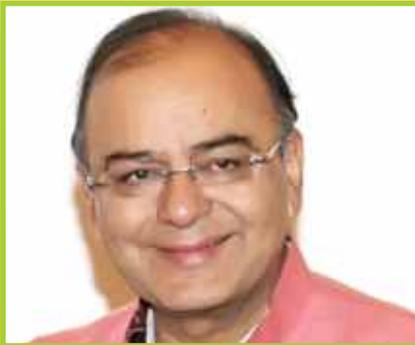


Hockey India President Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra was elected as a member of International Hockey Federation (FIH) Executive Board on 2nd November 2014. The member in take procedure was done during the 2014 Ordinary Congress of FIH. The event was held in Marrakesh, Morocco.

Voting for Ordinary Members of the FIH Executive Board also took place for the positions of two female members, one male member and two open positions. The voting for the new Executive Board members began with the female vote. Maureen Craig-Rousseau from Trinidad and Tobago was elected and Pamela Stuper from the USA was re-elected to the Board.

The male place went to Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra from India.

Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs and Information and Broadcasting, Mr. Arun Jaitley continues to strengthen the Advisory Board of Hockey India



After a successful stint of two years with the Hockey India League, Mr. Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs and Information and Broadcasting has consented to continue as a part of the Advisory Board of the Hockey India. India's noted politician & the prominent lawyer joined the Advisory Board of Hockey India in 2013 and since then, he has been an integral member of the Board and proactively been involved in the development of the League.

Rajat Sharma to continue as a part of the Advisory Board of the Hero Hockey India League

In the latest developments post the success of the first and second edition of Hero Hockey India League, the Chairman & Editor-in-Chief of the leading Hindi news channel (India TV), Mr. Rajat Sharma will be seen continuing his stint with the Hero Hockey India League as a member of its Advisory Board for the next two years. Coming on board in the first edition of the Hero Hockey India League in 2013, Mr. Rajat Sharma has been seen actively participating and providing proactive recommendations as a member of the Advisory Board in HHIL.

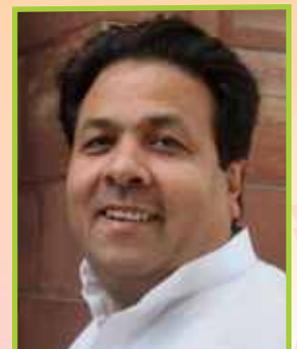


Rajeev Shukla to continue as a part of the Advisory Board of the Hero Hockey India League

Former Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs and Planning Rajeev Shukla will continue as a member of the advisory board in the third edition of the Hero Hockey India League (HIL).

The former Indian Premier League (IPL) chairman was with the HIL in the first two editions and will continue to play an important role in the league.

Speaking on his commitment HHIL Chairman Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra said " We look forward to Mr. Rajeev Shukla's support this year and we are sure he will continue to bring to the board his huge experience which will help us make the League more successful this year".



Hockey India congratulates Dhaval Prajapati on being promoted to an International Hockey Umpire

Hailing from Gujarat and starting his career in the year 2009, Dhaval Prajapati on 7th November, was promoted as an International Hockey Umpire from a National Hockey Umpire by the International Hockey Federation (FIH).



Having a knack of umpiring the game more than playing hockey since his childhood, Dhaval started umpiring the domestic matches at the age of 19 itself and went on to officiate matches at National level from the year 2011 with the 1st Hockey India Junior Men National Championship being his first expedition.

FIH President Mr. Leandro Negre presents a Golden Whistle to Umpire Javed Shaikh for umpiring in 100 International matches



The Indian Hockey Umpire Javed Shaikh who completed his umpiring in 100th international matches at the 17th Asian Games was presented a Golden Whistle by FIH President Mr. Leandro Negre. The Golden Whistle is awarded to umpires when they have umpired 100 senior international matches.

39 year old Javed Shaikh started officiating hockey matches in the year 2003 and has dedicated over a decade of hard work to the game.

MYA&S and SAI honoured the Members of 'Class of 64'

Hon'ble Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Sarbanda Sonowal and Sports Authority of India honoured the members of 'class of 64' on the occasion of the golden jubilee of India's Olympic Hockey Gold at the 1964 Tokyo Games at a colorful ceremony at the historic MDC National Stadium on 26th November. On this occasion, Indian Senior and Junior Hockey Teams played an exhibition match at MDC National Stadium.



Bjorn Isberg keeps position as HHIL Tournament Director

After a successful stretch of working with the Hero Hockey India League in the second edition as the Tournament Director, Bjorn Isberg, it was announced on 6th November that Bjorn would continue to be a part of the League in its third season scheduled to be held from 22 January – 22 February 2015.

Having worked as the Tournament Director in the second edition, he has been responsible for ensuring the smooth functioning of all the technical activities initiated in the League. He has also actively conducted many events over the recent years including FIH Men's World Cup 2014 in Netherlands, Olympic Games 2012 in London, three FIH Champions Trophy tournaments including Lahore in 2004, Kuala Lumpur in 2007 and Auckland in 2011 and FIH Indoor World Cup 2011 in Poland.



Craig Gribble appointed as the Lead Umpires Manager for the Hero Hockey India League 2015

Hero Hockey India League appointed Craig Gribble as the Lead Umpires Manager for the tournament. This will be the second time that Craig Gribble will be seen playing the all important role in the tournament.

He has conducted a number of events over the recent years in this capacity. Craig has also been a part of Commonwealth Games 2010, two Champions Trophy Tournaments in 2011 & 2012, two Olympic Qualification Tournaments in 2012, London Olympic Games in 2012 and FIH World League Semi-finals in Rotterdam 2013.

He has been working as an international Umpires Manager since 2007 after retiring from international umpiring in 2006. He stood in a total of 48 test matches from 1997-2006.



Hockey India League announces Henrik Ehlers as the Umpires Manager for the HHIL 2015

Hockey India League on 19th November announced Henrik Ehlers as the Umpires Manager for the tournament.

Currently serving as the member of the EHF Appointments Committee at the European Hockey Federation and an FIH International Umpires Manager since 2010, Henrik Ehlers will now also be seen taking up the responsibilities as that of an Umpires Manager at the Hero Hockey India League 2015.



Hero HIL appoints Muthukumar Balakrisnan and Gavin Hawke as Assistant Tournament Directors

Continuing with its bid to have world class officiating administrators on board, Hero Hockey India League on 11th November announced the appointment of Muthukumar Balakrisnan and Gavin Hawke as Assistant Tournament Directors for the third edition scheduled to commence from 22nd January 2015 – 22nd February 2015. With both Muthukumar Balakrisnan and Gavin Hawke coming on board as the Assistant Tournament Directors, the tournament is set to see a boost in the smooth flow of communication and management in the conduct of its matches.



Hockey India Appoints Samuel Stickland as Competitions Director

Hockey India on 15th November appointed Englishman Samuel Stickland as Competitions Director.

Samuel worked for England Hockey and the European Hockey Federation as a technical official before joining Hockey India. He has worked on major events hosted in England including 2007 European Championships, 2011 Women's Champions Trophy and 2012 London Olympic Games.



Hero Hockey India League announces Panel of Foreign Umpires for the Hero Hockey India League 2015



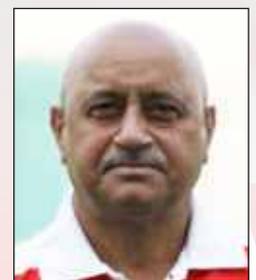
Hero Hockey India League (HIL) on 20th November announced the panel of foreign umpires for the HHIL 2015. The esteemed panel consists of experienced umpires from around the world, who have conducted many matches in reputed tournaments.



David Tomlinson of New Zealand, Grant Hundley of USA, Jakub Mejzlik of Czech Republic, Marcin Grochal of Poland, German Montes de Oca of Argentina and Francisco Vazquez of Spain will be seen umpiring the matches of the most prestigious Hockey League of the World in the 2015 edition.

Hockey India appoints MK Kaushik as Manager High Performance (Central Zone)

Hockey India on 27th October announced the appointment of Olympian Mr. Maharaj Krishan Kaushik as the Manager, High Performance (Central Zone). Mr. Kaushik, who was the coach of the Indian Men Hockey team that won the Gold medal at the 17th Asian Games 2014 in Incheon, South Korea is now playing a new role and rendering services for the betterment of Indian Hockey.



Hockey India League Announces Panel of Indian Officials For The Hero Hockey India League 2015

Hero Hockey India League on 21st November announced the Panel of Indian Officials for the impending the HHIL 2015.

The recently appointed Panel of Indian Officials boasts of many esteemed and experienced names such as Umpire Javed Shaikh, who has recently conducted his 100th match. The most experienced umpire Shaikh has been officiating major tournaments like the FIH World Cup, the Commonwealth Games and the Asian Games since 2003.

Raghu Prasad RV, who has conducted 90 matches till now, will be seen on field during the Hero Hockey India League in his third year. He has been officiating since 2004 and conducted matches in the FIH World Cup and the Commonwealth Games. He also officiated in the 2012 London Olympics.

The officials' panel also include Gurinder Singh Sangha (37 matches), Ripudaman Sharma (15 matches), Anil Kumar (6 matches) and a new name to the list Gurbaj Singh, who will make his debut in HHIL 2015. The panel also consists of Judges – Anjali Sharma, Milind Narwekar and Sonia Bathla.

The Technical Officials in the panel include Claudius de Sales, Moghul Mohammed Muneer and Ashutosh Verma.

Speaking on the appointment, Hockey India League's CEO, Ms. Elena Norman said, "The League is in its third year and hence, it is necessary we take it a notch higher in all fronts. The entire panel of umpires and officials coming on board are known for their work towards the game and they have vast experience in officiating international-level matches around the world. Hero Hockey India League welcomes each one on board and will look forward to their contribution in this season."

The List of Officials

Technical Officials:

1. Claudius de Sales
2. Moghul Mohammed Muneer
3. Ashutosh Verma

Judges:

4. Anjali Sharma
5. Milind Narwekar
6. Sonia Bathla

Umpires:

7. Javed Shaikh
8. Raghu Prasad R.V
9. Gurinder Singh Sangha
10. Ripudaman Sharma
11. Anil Kumar
12. Gurbaj Singh



Birthday Celebrations



Men

January

Talwinder Singh	1
Gurinder Singh	1
Arman Qureshi	1
Harjeet Singh	2
Harmanpreet Singh	6
Nikkin Thimmaiah	18
Mohammad Nizamuddin	24
Mandeep Singh	25
Harjot Singh	28
Jugraj Singh	29
Imran Khan	30

February

Birendra Lakra	3
Anand Lakra	4
Abhay Ekka	4
Baljeet Singh	10
Sumit Toppo	10
Santa Singh	11

March

Harbir Singh Sandhu	27
Raushan Kumar	27

BIRTHDAYS

Women

January

Manisha	8
Anima Minz	13
Navneet Kaur	26

February

Anuradha Devi Thokchom	2
Rashmi P. P.	3
Deepika	7
Poonam Rani	8
Punam Barla	10
Sushila Chanu Pukhrambam	25

March

Ashmita Barla	6
Sonika	20
Ritusha Kumari Arya	23



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