

Good Luck Team India for Rio Olympic Games

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Message from


Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad, Secretary General, Hockey India

With the recent announcement of the squads for the Rio Olympics, Hockey India has promised a shining future and the dedication to turn the medal hopes of India into a reality. The grand event hosted in New Delhi on Tuesday 12th July saw high-profile dignitaries from the Govt. of India, Ministry, Youth Affairs & Sports, Hockey legends and media & press wish good luck to the selected athletes who will represent Indian Hockey at Rio. My heart is filled with huge gratitude and pride to see the kind of talent we have in our hockey teams today – whether the Men's or Women's team. This is the start of a promising future for Indian Hockey.

I am upbeat that we will witness performances of the highest quality over the course of the Rio Olympics from both the men and the women's teams. Talking about Olympics, we are all filled with memories of the illustrious past which we aim to reclaim and with the recent performances on the International arena we are getting closer to it. I would like to convey my heartfelt admiration to the coaches and support staff who ensured no stone is left unturned in exposing the teams to rigorous practice sessions, making sure the teams get the best international exposure and training ahead of the all-important Olympic Games. Their efforts have contributed in raising the overall standard of hockey in the country. The recent performance by the men's team at the FIH Champions Trophy, where they won the Silver medal, has gathered tremendous following and support from Indians around the world. The most remarkable achievement is the Women's team qualifying for the Olympic Games for the first time in 36 years and bringing interest among people to women's hockey. Looking at the current squad, it fills me with confidence that they will give a good performance at the Olympic Games. This is a huge moment for each player from the team as they will experience Olympics for the first time, I would like everyone to step forward and show support to encourage these very talented women athletes. The nation is humming with excitement of the Hockey teams participation at the Rio Olympics in August. As we get closer to the final stretch, I want everyone to join me in wishing the teams good luck. The teams have come this far with the support of the fans and it is only with this support and love that they are going to reach new heights. My best wishes with everyone for Mission Rio.


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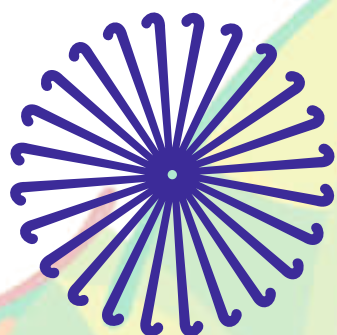
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Good Luck Team India

Hockey India announced the 16 member squads of the Men and Women Hockey Teams that will represent Team India at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

In a packed felicitation ceremony, Hockey India President Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra alongside Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President BJP, Mr. Vijay Goel, Sports Minister, Govt. of India and Mr. Leandro Negre, President FIH announced and honoured all selected players from the men's and women's hockey teams for the Rio Olympic Games here in New Delhi.

Speaking on the occasion, Hockey India President, Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra said, "I am really proud of how our teams have shaped up this year for the Olympics and can proudly say we have one of the most cohesive units for many years in terms of a collective team coming together for both our men and women teams. Hockey being a team sport needs each player to be able to play multiple roles and also be able to support his or her team members on the field. The kind of game the teams have displayed in the last few months is a true testimony of the hard work, sweat and blood each and every one of them has put in."

"The result is a team that stands before us today, selected basis an exquisite performance and grit to come together and showcase Indian hockey at its best at the pinnacle of sports – the Olympics. Our expectations are high and we look forward to take on the responsibility of being in the spotlight of the Indian Contingency at Rio 2016."

The men's squad features a formidable defense line-up, with experienced campaigners V.R Raghunath, Rupinder Pal Singh and Kothajit Singh. Harmanpreet Singh and Surender Kumar provide the youth to the backline. The midfield combination is strong with Danish Mujtaba, Chinglensana Singh, Manpreet Singh, S.K Uttappa, Devinder Walmiki and Sardar Singh all selected in the team. Strikers S.V Sunil, Akashdeep Singh, Ramandeep Singh and Nikkin Thimmaiah promise to add steam to the line-up. In-form PR Sreejesh is the teams goalkeeper and Captain. The men's hockey squad has risen consistently up the world rankings since the Asian Games in 2014. Ranked 13 in the world after the London Olympics, the team is now poised at No.5 after their heroics at the recently concluded FIH Champions Trophy.

"With our recent performances, we have shown the world that we can beat the best in the business and that's what we will aim at doing at the Olympics. This squad is the best representation of Indian hockey and I am confident this combination will bring us the best results. We have received tremendous support from Hockey India and Sports Authority of India who have ensured we get world class training facilities in the lead-up to the Olympics and we hope to live up to the expectations of the one billion people cheering our team as we fly the tricolor at the Olympics." said Men's Team Chief Coach Roelant Oltmans.

The women's team includes the experience of Deepika Thakur, Sunita Lakra, Sushila Chanu, Namita Toppo and Deep Grace Ekka in defense. In the midfield Renuka, Lilima Minz, Monika, Navjot Kaur and Nikki Pradhan have all been selected. The forward line includes Rani, Poonam Rani, Vandana Katariya, Anuradha Devi Thockchom and Preeti Dubey. The team is supported in the goals by Savita.

This will be the first time in 36 years that the women's team from India will be participating at the Olympic Games and the women's squad will vie to make the most of this opportunity.

"It is a big moment for the girls and our realistic goal is to qualify for the quarter finals and I believe we can do it. The girls have worked day in and day out to get where they are today and we are excited as a team to convert whatever we have worked on during the camps." said Women's Team Chief Coach Neil Hawgood.

Wishing the best to the teams, Dr Batra further added, "Over the past few years, in the lead up to the Olympics, both the teams have shown a lot of resilience and dedication. Hockey India is very happy with how the men's team has climbed the rankings since the 2014 Asian Games and have brought back the fan following hockey once enjoyed in the country. The kind of support we have received from people in India and abroad has been overwhelming. I believe their excellent showing this year has made them serious medal contenders. Meanwhile, the women's team has been remarkable in achieving a qualifying berth after 36 years and this is only the beginning for the sport for women in India. I have watched the team play and am sure they have it in them to convert wins at the Olympic Games and Hockey India wishes them the best."

Being the largest contingent from India at the Olympics all eyes are set on the Indian Hockey teams to push hard and put India on the Olympic podium.

Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra

President, Hockey India

Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President, Hockey India welcoming dignitaries.





Performance by Invincible Group





Indian Technical Officials for Rio Olympic Games 2016

**Ms. Mariamma Koshy, Senior Vice President, Hockey India
Presented the scarf**

**Mr. Rajinder Singh, Treasurer, Hockey India
Presented the My Stamp**

**Mr. Injeti Srinivas, Director General, Sports Authority of India
Presented the bouquet**

**Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad, Secretary General, Hockey India
Presented the gift**



Anjali Sharma

has been appointed as one of the Judges for the Rio Olympic Games 2016



Javed Shaikh

has been appointed as one of the Umpires for the Rio Olympic Games 2016



Performance by CYR




Indian Men's & Women's Hockey Team for Rio Olympic Games 2016

Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President, Bharatiya Janata Party

Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and
Sports (Independent Charge)






Caps : 68
Goals : 03

Navjot Kaur **1**
Midfielder



Caps : 101
Goals : 03

Deep Grace Ekka **3**
Defender



Caps : 54
Goals : 02

Monika **4**
Midfielder



Caps : 12
Goals : 00

Nikki Pradhan **8**
Midfielder



Caps : 86
Goals : 13

Anuradha Devi Thokchom **10**
Forward



Caps : 121
Goals : NA

Savita **11**
Goalkeeper



Caps : 159
Goals : 26

Poonam Rani **15**
Forward



Caps : 139
Goals : 38

Vandana Kataria **16**
Forward



Caps : 172
Goals : 21

Deepika (VC) **17**
Defender



Caps : 92
Goals : 04

Namita Toppo **19**
Defender



Caps : 24
Goals : 00

Renuka Yadav
Midfielder

24



Caps : 71
Goals : 02

Sunita Lakra
Defender


26



Caps : 112
Goals : 04

Sushila Chanu (C)
Defender


27



Caps : 154
Goals : 87

Rani
Forward


28



Caps : 09
Goals : 03

Preeti Dubey
Forward

30



Caps : 72
Goals : 05

lilima Minz
Midfielder

31

Standbye Players



Caps : 00
Goals : NA

Hnialum Lal Raut Feli
Defender

6



Caps : 47
Goals : NA

Rajani Etimarpu
Goalkeeper

19

*Caps and Goals on 12th July 2016

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Neil Hawgood
Chief Coach



David Bell
Analytical Coach



C.R Kumar
Coach & Manager



Helen Mary
Coach



Matthew Tredrea
Scientific Advisor



Sonika Sudam
Physiotherapist



Amuthaprakash
Video Analyst



Poonam Rani
Masseuse

NAVJOT KAUR



DEEP GRACE EKKA



MONIKA



NIKKI PRADHAN



ANURADHA DEVI THOKCHOM



SAVITA



POONAM RANI



VANDANA KATARIYA



DEEPIKA



NAMITA TOPPO



RENUKA YADAV



SUNITA LAKRA



SUSHILA CHANU PUKHRAMBAM



RANI



PREETI DUBEY



LILIMA MINZ



HNIALUM LAL RAUT FELI



RAJANI ETIMARPU



NEIL HAWGOOD



DAVID BELL



C.R KUMAR



HELEN MARY



MATTHEW TREDREA



SONIKA SUDAN



AMUTHAPRAKASH PERUMAL




POONAM RANI





Caps : 16
Goals : 04

Harmanpreet Singh **1**
Defender



Caps : 144
Goals : 55

Rupinder Pal Singh **3**
Defender



Caps : 131
Goals : 04

Kothajit Singh Khadangbam **5**
Defender




Caps : 24
Goals : 00

Surender Kumar **6**
Defender




Caps : 156
Goals : 11

Manpreet Singh **7**
Midfielder



Caps : 247
Goals : 16

Sardar Singh **8**
Midfielder



Caps : 214
Goals : 130

V.R Raghunath **12**
Defender



Caps : 94
Goals : 12

Uthappa Sannuvanda **15**
Midfielder



Caps : 156
Goals : NA

P.R Sreejesh (C) **16**
Goalkeeper




Caps : 160
Goals : 26

Danish Mujtaba **17**
Midfielder




Caps : 29
Goals : 05

Devinder Sunil Walmiki **22**
Midfielder



Caps : 190
Goals : 59

S.V Sunil (VC) **24**
Forward




Caps : 102
Goals : 31

Akashdeep Singh **27**
Forward




Caps : 110
Goals : 05

Chinglensana Singh **29**
Midfielder



Caps : 72
Goals : 21


Ramandeep Singh **31**
Forward



Caps : 71
Goals : 15

Nikkin Thimmaiah **32**
Forward

Standbye Players



Caps : 14
Goals : 00

Pardeep Mor **18**
Defender



Caps : 07
Goals : NA

Vikas Dahiya **19**
Goalkeeper

*Caps and Goals on 12th July 2016

Support Staff



Roelant Oltmans
Director High Performance
& Chief Coach



Roger Van Gent
Analytical Coach



Tushar Khandker
Coach & Manager



Matthew Eyles
Scientific Advisor



Shrikant Iyengar
Physiotherapist



Aadhithya Chakravarthy
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Doctor

HARMANPREET SINGH



RUPINDER PAL SINGH



KOTHAJIT SINGH KHADANGBAM



SURENDER KUMAR



MANPREET SINGH



SARDAR SINGH



RAGHUNATH VOKKALIGA RAMACHANDRA



UTHAPPA SANNUVANDA KUSHLAPPA



SHREEJESH PARATTU RAVEENDRAN



DANISH MUJTABA



DEVINDER SUNIL WALMIKI



SUNIL SOWMARPET VITALACHARYA



AKASHDEEP SINGH



CHINGLENSANA SINGH KANGUJAM



RAMANDEEP SINGH



CHANDANDA AIYANNA NIKKIN THIMMAIAH



PARDEEP MOR



VIKAS DAHIYA



ROELANT OLTMANS



ROGER VAN GENT



TUSHAR KHANDKER



MATTHEW EYLES



SHRIKANT IYENGAR



AADHITHYA CHAKRAVARTHY



ARUP NASKAR



KENJOM NGOMDIR



Indian Women's Hockey Team Captain for the Rio Olympic Games 2016

Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President, Bharatiya Janata Party, announced the Captain of the Indian Women's Hockey Team.

Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt of India, announced the Vice Captain of the Indian Women's Hockey Team.



Indian Women's Hockey Team Captain

SUSHILA CHANU PUKHRAMBAM



Indian Women's Hockey Team Vice Captain

DEEPIKA



Indian Men's Hockey Team Captain for the Rio Olympic Games 2016

Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President, Bharatiya Janata Party, announced the Captain of the Indian Men's Hockey Team.

Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India, announced the Vice Captain of the Indian Men's Hockey Team.



Indian Men's Hockey Team Captain

SHREEJESH PARATTU RAVEENDRAN



Indian Men's Hockey Team Vice Captain

SUNIL SOWMARPET VITALACHARYA



Mr. Amit Shah

President, Bharatiya Janata Party

Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President, Bharatiya Janata Party, conveyed his best wishes to the Indian Men's & Women's Hockey Team for Rio Olympic Games 2016.



Mr. Vijay Goel

Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India

Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India, conveyed his best wishes to the Indian Men's & Women's Hockey Team for Rio Olympic Games 2016.



Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President, Hockey India presented a memento to Chief Guest Mr. Amit Shah, President, Bharatiya Janata Party and Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India.





Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President, Hockey India presented jerseys and hockey sticks signed by Indian Men and Women Hockey Teams to Mr. Leandro Negre, FIH President.



Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President, Hockey India presented jerseys and hockey sticks signed by Indian Men and Women Hockey Teams to Mr. Rajiv Yadav (IAS), Secretary Sports, Govt. of India



Guest of Honour Mr. Vijay Goel, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India and Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra, President, Hockey India presented jerseys and hockey sticks signed by Indian Men and Women Hockey Teams to Injeti Srinivas, Director General, Sports Authority of India.





Match Schedule

Rio Olympics 2016



Rio Olympics Hockey Match Schedule - Men

Pool A		Pool B	
 Australia	 New Zealand	 Netherlands	 India
 Great Britain	 Spain	 Germany	 Ireland
 Belgium	 Brazil	 Argentina	 Canada

Match No	Date	Pool	Time	Pitch	Match
M01	Saturday 6 August	B	10:00	1	 Argentina v  Netherlands
M02	Saturday 6 August	B	11:00	2	 India v  Ireland
M03	Saturday 6 August	A	12:30	1	 Belgium v  Great Britain
M04	Saturday 6 August	A	13:30	2	 Australia v  New Zealand
M05	Saturday 6 August	B	18:00	1	 Canada v  Germany
M06	Saturday 6 August	A	19:30	2	 Spain v  Brazil
M07	Sunday 7 August	A	17:00	2	 Great Britain v  New Zealand
M08	Sunday 7 August	B	18:00	1	 Netherlands v  Ireland
M09	Sunday 7 August	A	19:30	2	 Brazil v  Belgium
M10	Sunday 7 August	A	20:30	1	 Australia v  Spain
M11	Monday 8 August	B	11:00	2	 Germany v  India
M12	Monday 8 August	B	12:30	1	 Canada v  Argentina
M13	Tuesday 9 August	A	10:00	1	 New Zealand v  Spain
M14	Tuesday 9 August	B	11:00	2	 Argentina v  India
M15	Tuesday 9 August	B	12:30	1	 Germany v  Ireland
M16	Tuesday 9 August	B	13:30	2	 Netherlands v  Canada
M17	Tuesday 9 August	A	18:00	1	 Brazil v  Great Britain
M18	Tuesday 9 August	A	20:30	1	 Belgium v  Australia
M19	Wednesday 10 August	A	19:30	2	 New Zealand v  Brazil
M20	Wednesday 10 August	A	20:30	1	 Great Britain v  Australia
M21	Thursday 11 August	B	10:00	1	 Netherlands v  India
M22	Thursday 11 August	B	11:00	2	 Ireland v  Canada
M23	Thursday 11 August	B	12:30	1	 Argentina v  Germany
M24	Thursday 11 August	A	13:30	2	 Spain v  Belgium
M25	Friday 12 August	B	12:30	1	 India v  Canada
M26	Friday 12 August	B	13:30	2	 Germany v  Netherlands
M27	Friday 12 August	A	17:00	2	 Great Britain v  Spain
M28	Friday 12 August	A	18:00	1	 Belgium v  New Zealand
M29	Friday 12 August	B	19:30	2	 Ireland v  Argentina
M30	Friday 12 August	A	20:30	1	 Australia v  Brazil

Quarter Finals

M31	Sunday 14 August	QF ¹	10:00	1	_____ v _____
M32	Sunday 14 August	QF ¹	12:30	1	_____ v _____
M33	Sunday 14 August	QF ¹	18:00	1	_____ v _____
M34	Sunday 14 August	QF ¹	20:30	1	_____ v _____

Semi Finals

M35	Tuesday 16 August	SF ²	12:00	1	_____ v _____
M36	Tuesday 16 August	SF ²	17:00	1	_____ v _____

Final

M37	Thursday 18 August		12:00	1	Bronze Medal
M38	Thursday 18 August		17:00	1	Final




































Match Schedule

Rio Olympics 2016



Rio Olympics Hockey Match Schedule - Women

Pool A		Pool B	
 Netherlands	 Germany	 Argentina	 USA
 New Zealand	 Korea	 Australia	 Japan
 China	 Spain	 Great Britain	 India

Match No	Date	Pool	Time	Pitch	Match
M01	Saturday 6 August	B	17:00	2	 Argentina v  USA
M02	Saturday 6 August	B	20:30	1	 Great Britain v  Australia
M03	Sunday 7 August	A	10:00	1	 New Zealand v  Korea
M04	Sunday 7 August	B	11:00	2	 Japan v  India
M05	Sunday 7 August	A	12:30	1	 Netherlands v  Spain
M06	Sunday 7 August	A	13:30	2	 China v  Germany
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Hockey India and its Members wishes the Indian Men & Women Hockey Teams Good Luck for the Rio Olympics 2016





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