

**REPORT OF THE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT HELD DURING THE YEAR
2015-16**

**Report of the III IndianOil Chota Nagpur Tribal Women Hockey
Tournament 2015 held between 18th October and 25th October,
2015 at Simdega, Jharkhand organised by Hockey Association of
Chota Nagpur Tribals New Delhi**

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The Third IndianOil Chota Nagpur Women Hockey Tournament held at Sashkiya Balika Uch-Vidhalaya, Simdega, Jharkhand between 18th October and 25th October, 2015 organised by Hockey Association of Chota Nagpur Tribals, New Delhi. The title sponsor of the Hockey Tournament was Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. The logos of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd were put all sides of the ground, main entrance of the gate, in the shamiana where guests were to sit as well as at Awareness Workshop/ Orientation Program.

In this invitational hockey tournament, 12 women teams have been invited to participate for the prize money of Rs. 70,000/- for winner and Rs. 40,000/- for runner-up. In addition to other cash prizes such as for the teams reaching third position and fourth position, best talented player of the tournament for Rs.10,000/- was also the attraction. Out of 12 teams, the following teams had participated in the tournament held at Simdega, which is a district town of Jharkhand and termed as 'Garh' of hockey as many national and international hockey players in both category i.e. male & female were produced by this district.

- (i) HOCKEY SIMDEGA (JHARKHAND)
- (ii) NAV JAGRIT MANAV SANGH (NJMS) ROURKELA (ODISHA)
- (iii) SURGUJA XI AMBIKAPUR (CG)
- (iv) BIRSA CLUB KHUNTI (JHARKHAND)
- (v) ST. MARK'S CLUB BANABIRA (JHARKHAND)

- (vi) JASHPUR XI (CG)
- (vii) PANPOSH HOSTEL (ODISHA)
- (viii) RENGARI XI (JHARKHAND)
- (ix) GUMLA HOCKEY CLUB (JHARKHAND)
- (x) NAV YUVAK SANGH LATHHAKHAMAN (JHARKHAND)
- (xi) BIJ BEENCO TAPKARA (CG)
- (xii) ASSAM HOCKEY (failed to turn up)

The teams were divided into 4 groups and round robin matches were held on league basis. The first 2 teams of each group were qualified for the knock-out matches.

The tournament was inaugurated by Shri Michael Kindo, the Arjuna Awardee & Gold Medal Winner in the World Cup 1975 (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia), Silver Medal Winner World Cup 1973 (Amsterdam, Holland) and Bronze Medal Winner Munich Olympic 1972 and World Cup 1971 (Barcelona, Spain) who also hailed from Simdega on 18th October, 2015. A grand march past was organised before the commencement of the game. The Deputy Commissioner of Simdega District Shri Vijoy Kumar Singh and other ex-international & national hockey players like Masihdas Baa, Silbanus Kindo, Christopher Lakra and officials of the Hockey Association of Chota Nagpur Tribals were present in the opening ceremony. PadamShri Dilip Tirkey, Olympian and former Captain of Indian National Hockey Team and Member of Parliament also visited the hockey tournament on 23.10.2015.

After the league matches in the respective group the following teams were qualified for knock-out stage:

Group A - Hockey Simdega and Nav Jagrit Manav Sangh

Group B - Birsa Club Khunti and St. Mark's Club, Banabira

Group C - Panposh Hostel and Rengari XI

Group D - Gumla Hockey Club and Nav Yuvak Sangh, Lathhakhaman

After the Quarter Final Matches held ,the semi-finals matches were played as per the following:

First Semi Final – **Hockey Simdega V/s Panposh Hostel**

Second Semi Final- **Nav Jagrit Manav Sangh V/s Nav Yuvak Sangh Lathhakhaman**

In the semi-finals **Hockey Simdega and Nav Yuvak Sangh Lathhakhaman** defeated their rivals and entered into the Final of Third IndianOil Chota Nagpur Tribal Women Hockey Tournament 2015.

The final match of the tournament was played on 25th October, 2015 at Sashkiya Balika Uch Vidhalaya, Simdega. In the absence of Chief Guest **Mr. Manoj Gupta** from Indian Oil Corporation Ltd, Ranchi as he could not make it possible because of the “bandh” called by “People War Group” an organisation connected to Maoist on 25th October, 2015. In the absence of Chief Guest from Indian Oil Corporation Ltd, the Hockey Association requested Mr. Rajeev Ranjan Singh, Superintendent of Police, District Simdega to become the Chief Guest for the final match and Mr. Singh has kindly accepted it. Other dignitaries present were Shri Vijoy Kumar Singh, Deputy Commissioner, Simdega, Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribe, New Delhi & Chief Patron of the Hockey Association of Chota Nagpur Tribals and all other ex-national and international players as well as the Guests from Simdega namely, Shri Benjamin Lakra, former Principal Accountant General and Shri Neil Tirkey, former MLA of Simdega were present. The Chief Guest was welcomed by traditional dance. Both the finalist teams i.e. Simdega Hockey and Nav Yuvak Sangh Lathhakhaman were put on the complete set of playing dresses on which IndianOil Logo was printed which were visible from the distance. **Bigan Soy**, an international hockey player was part of the playing 11 of **Hockey Simdega**. The match was interesting and Hockey

Simdega won the Third Indian Oil Chota Nagpur Trophy for the third time in a row since the inception of the hockey tournament by defeating Nav Yuvak Sangh Lathhakhaman by 4 goals to 1. The match was interesting and sizable crowd cheered for the local team.

DD Ranchi has recorded the proceedings of the match and the same was telecasted after 3 days in the National Channel on 28.10.2015. The Chief Guest handed over the trophies to the winner and runner-up teams after the match. The Chief Guest had also handed over the following display cheques as a prize money to the following teams:

Winner – **Hockey Simdega**- Rs. 70,000/-

Runner up- **Nav Yuvak Sangh Lathhakhaman**- Rs. 40,000/-

Third position team- **Panposh Hostel Odisha**- Rs. 25,000/-

Consolation prize for the fourth position team- **Nav Jagrit Manav Sangh**- Rs. 15,000/-

In addition to above, most talented player declared was Sunita Kumari of Hockey Simdega Team received the amount of Rs. 10,000/-

1. Penalty Shoot Out Competition for the teams – a new initiative

This year onwards, a new initiative was taken by the Hockey Association which was appreciated by all concerned. A new Shoot-Out Competition was introduced for the teams. The Shoot-Out competition was held on 23.10.2015 and winner declared successful scoring of given 5 chances to the teams. The following teams have declared the winners of the Shoot-Out Competition and got the cash prizes as per the following:

- (i) Winner- **Gumla Hockey Club – Rs. 10,000/-**
- (ii) Runner-up - **St Marks Club Banabira - Rs. 7,500/-**
- (iii) Third position team - **Surguja XI - Rs. 5,000/-**

2. Fruitful Awareness Workshop/ Orientation Program for all participants

Since most of the players participated are school & College students, the Hockey Association has organized one day **Awareness Workshop** on **22nd October, 2015** for the entire team members, managers and coaches at **St. Mary's High School, Simdega**. The Hockey India officials were also present. The objectives of the awareness workshop/orientation program were to (i) generate awareness and understanding of the rules of the game of hockey and (ii) the problems generally faced by the tribal women hockey players when they are selected to represent the country and (iii) how to address those issues. The program details are given below:

9.30 a.m. – introduction and mixing among the players of all teams,
moderator- Mr. Ashish and Mr. Ignatius

10.00 a.m.- Tribal People and Hockey – A Relationship , the moderator was Mr. Justin Tirkey

11.00 a.m.- Tribal hockey and Chota Nagpur region- speaker was Mr. Benjamin Lakra , Former Principal Auditor General of India

11.30 a.m. – Hockey rules of FIH – speaker was Shri H.S. Shokhi ,
Tournament Director appointed by Hockey India and International hockey umpire.

12.00 p.m.- Experience Sharing - by two reputed ex-international tribal hockey players namely Ms. Sumrari Tete and Ms. Rajkumari Banra.

12.30 p.m.- learning through the film "Chak De India"- moderator Mr. Ireneus Toppo

1.30 p.m.- lunch

The program went well according to the schedule given above. The young girls were learnt about the need of mental toughness apart from physical fitness in the competitive hockey. They were also advised to continue the study and learn English to counter the problems during the coaching by foreign experts and to handle the situation creped in when they got the chance to play abroad as part of the National Hockey Team.

The experience shared by Ms. Sumrari Tete and Ms. Rajkumari Banra ex-international hockey players was excellent and served the purpose as well as experience sharing. They cited the examples the problems faced when they were the part of the National Hockey Team in the tournament held in Japan. They advised the young players about the importance of English speaking and the kind of behavior with the players of foreign countries, which are considered as important in the foreign tours. It was a great knowledge acquisition to the entire players of the hockey teams as well as their managers and coaches.

The coaches of the teams present have several questions posed to Mr. H.S. Sokhi, Tournament Director appointed by Hockey India who has clarified the rules followed by FIH. He also informed about the latest changes in the rule of the game of hockey which are considered useful to the players and coaches. The players and coaches have expressed that such Workshops should be held in every hockey tournament organized by the Association.

3. Felicitation ceremony was held for Ex-National and Inter-National players belonging to Chota Nagpur Region

A glittering felicitation ceremony was organised by Hockey Association of Chota Nagpur Tribals New Delhi held for Ex-National and Inter-National players belonging to Chota Nagpur Region in both category of male and female who were gathered in large number. The names of the Ex-National and Ex-International hockey players are given below. The mementoes were given to these players for representing the country in the various high levels national and international hockey tournaments.

Male Players	Female Players
Shri Gopal Bhengra	Ms. Savitri Purty
Shri Vijay Kujur	Ms. Sukro Sanga
Shri Stanislas Bada	Ms. Pushpa Topno

Shri Ignatius Tirkey	Ms. Jyoti Kujur
Shri Chistopher Indvar	Ms. Adline Kerketta
Shri Jagan Topno	Ms. Asunta Lakra
Shri Khistopher Lakra	Ms. Fulmani Soy
Shri Sukra Aind	Ms. Urshela Toppo
Shri Amlan Toppo	Ms. Fatima Kujur
Shri Alexious Lakra	Ms. Masira Surin
Shri Stanislaus Kindo	Ms. Bigan Soy
Shri Masidas Baa	Ms. Jayamani Sanga

It was a great and unique experience to the former hockey players as well as for the members of the Hockey Association.