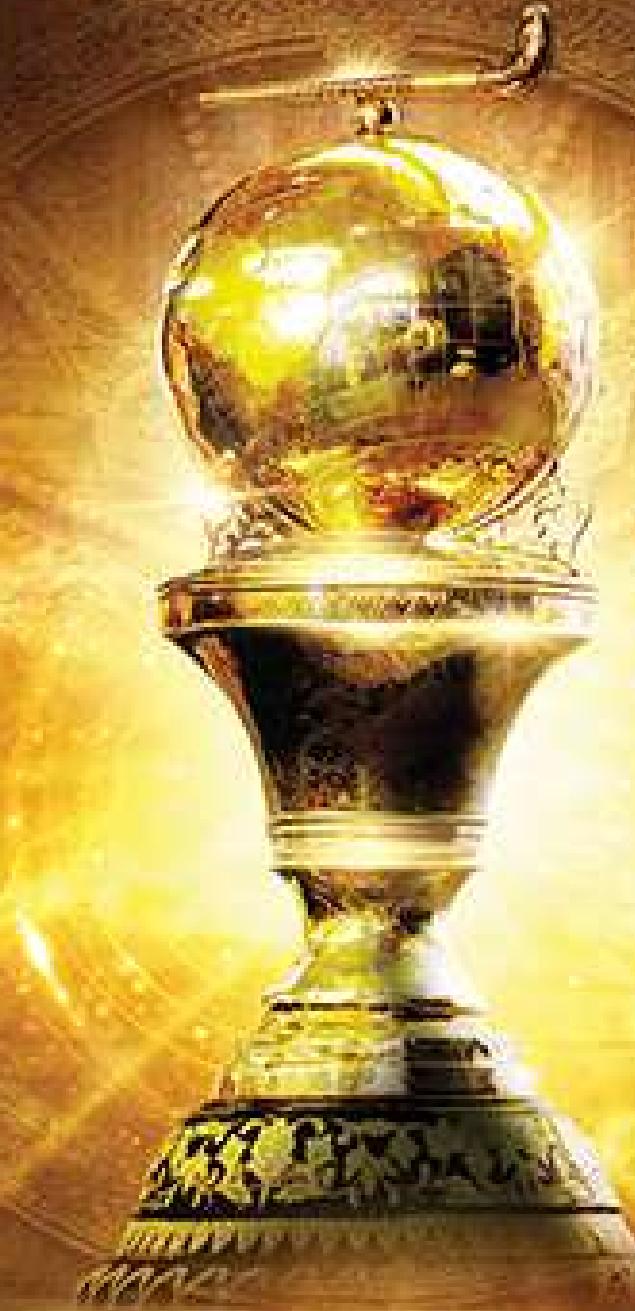




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The centuries old Mukteshwar Temple formed an ethereal backdrop to the 16 team captains and Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik along with the World Cup trophy.



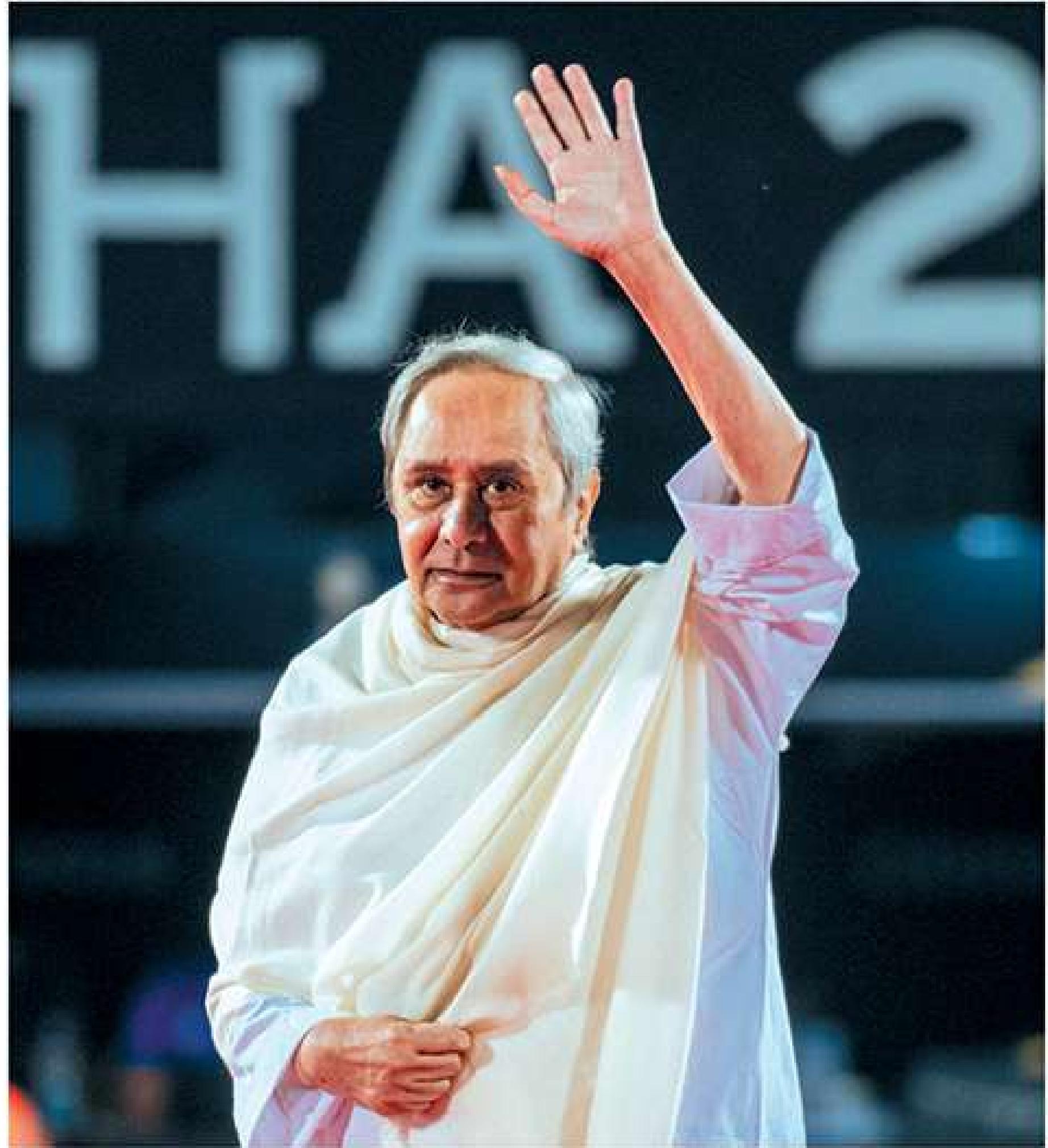


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and investment in youth is investment in the future."

**Mr. Naveen Patnaik**  
Chief Minister, Odisha

# BHUBANESWAR

## FROM THE TEMPLE CITY OF INDIA TO THE SPORTS CAPITAL OF INDIA

Temples, some dating back 2000 years, from an intrinsic part of Bhubaneswar, it is also a confluence of Hindu, Jain and Buddhist heritage. The name of the capital city of Odisha is derived from Tribhubaneswar. It means Lord (Eswar) of the three worlds; that is Shiva. Bhubaneswar, that houses more than a thousand temples, forms the Swarna Trikuta (Golden Triangle) along with Puri and Konark. The Lingaraj Temple built in the 11th century by the king of the Somavamshi dynasty, is among the biggest landmarks of the city. The central structure towers over 105 feet and represents the quintessential form of Kalinga architecture. Dedicated to Lord Shiva, this temple is among the oldest in the country.

Bhubaneswar has become the biggest sporting hub of the country by hosting an array of global events in the Kalinga Stadium complex in recent years. The Hockey Stadium, is the jewel in the crown and leads the way with the conduct of the World Cup (2008), the World League Finals (2007) and the Champions Trophy (2014). The Athletics Stadium, adjacent to the hockey facility, has an eight-lane synthetic track. The stadium with a capacity of 50,000, is not far behind having hosted the Asian Athletics Championship in 2017. It also hosted the Super Cup football tournament in 2012. The complex includes a sports hostel and has facilities for soccer, basketball, tennis, shooting, badminton, table tennis, basketball, volleyball and swimming.



# JEWEL IN THE CROWN

A lit up Kalinga Stadium stands out in the Bhubaneswar night sky





# CM'S MESSAGE

## Mr. Naveen Patnaik

Chief Minister, Odisha

### Beautiful Place, Good People

In the last few weeks, Odisha has played host to some of the best known people from different walks of life - captains of the global Indian industry who came here for Make in Odisha, leaders of not for profit organisations, cultural icons, world champions in sports, artists of global fame, ambassadors of countries, top officials and players from 16 nations of the world. Recently, the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018, after a spectacular opening ceremony, has successfully come to a close. In the course of all these events, as I have received these great people on behalf of the State, I have been struck by one common sentiment echoed by everyone, "Such a beautiful place and such good people". It has set me thinking.

Being in contact with good people, is refreshing, it is cleansing, it makes a person feel at ease, it brings out the best in that individual. People who come to Odisha are touched by our goodness so deeply that they often contrast this with its growing deficit elsewhere. That deficit is leading to the loss of the human touch. I think there are four elements of behaviour that go into the idea of goodness. It begins with being respectful. Our ancestors were deeply respectful of living and non-living things. This did not come from intellect or erudition. It came from a spiritual realisation that we must relate to everything around us with respect.

Next comes humility. In fact, without humility one cannot be respectful. Unfortunately, humility is sometimes confused with timidity and

submissiveness. To me, humility comes from deep self-confidence, in fact, it is a higher power. Without humility, we lose the power to receive. As it is said - however high and mighty, the mountain top may be, it cannot hold even a drop of rain. Only the lake in the valley can hold the water.

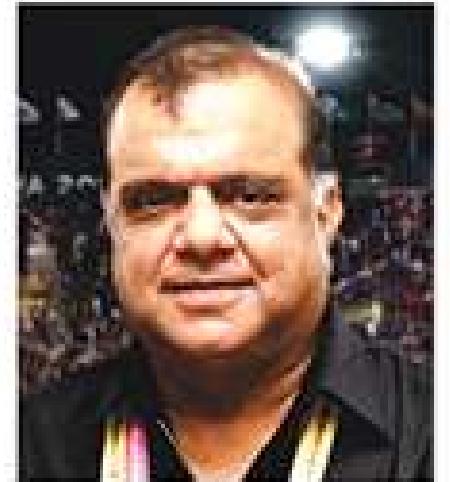
The next element of being good is simplicity. Odia people are simple people. Being simple is not to be confused with being a simpleton, someone who is gullible and unsophisticated. At the core, great people have the power of simplicity. Simplicity attracts. Sophistication distances. Beyond all this, I also believe that being good, essentially asks for a certain degree of forgiveness. Good people forgive more easily. Forgiveness has a cleansing ability. Humanity continues because somewhere, sometime we have forgiven. When we lose forgiveness, families, societies and nations fall apart.

I want Odia people to know that our goodness is being noticed. It is being valued. The world is beginning to discover it as a collective, pervasive, characteristic of an entire people. If you have money, you can build roads, skyscrapers, ports, factories and shops. But goodness is not easy to replicate. This is not because of any individual or specific to any time period. It is our collective inheritance distilled over centuries. We are extremely fortunate that our ancestors have passed on through successive generations, the virtues of respectfulness, humility, simplicity and forgiveness. Together these make goodness a distinct Odia virtue - an identity, we should all be proud of.

December 19, 2018



# FOREWORD



## Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra

President, Fédération Internationale de Hockey (FIH);  
President, Indian Olympic Association

We were allotted the World Cup in 2013 when I was the Secretary General of Hockey. Now I am the President of International Hockey Federation (FIH), so I have seen it through all phases. Since the World Cup was incorporating 16 teams for the 2018 edition, we were looking for a place where safety, security and the environment would work together in a synchronised manner. In some places, the police were with you, but the government wasn't supportive and vice-versa. Odisha offered us a very synchronised environment, which is why we opted to host the World Cup here. We felt Odisha had a very co-operative and helpful attitude.

There were issues of relating to capacity, broadcasting facilities, athletic facilities, etc at the Kalinga Stadium. After the discussion, a blueprint was made and we were given a timeline. The net result is now in front of your eyes.

The trend outside India is to build makeshift facilities. They create facilities and later take them down. That doesn't give you a sense of belonging. This centre that we have created has given a strong foothold for sport. We always say that Bhubaneswar is the sports capital of India, now we can proudly say that Odisha will be our base centre for hockey. I think the stadium has surpassed all the facilities in India.

It is necessary to bring the culture of sports in India. It instils discipline and keeps you healthy too. I have seen the advent of this culture in Odisha. We would not like to restrict ourselves by hosting events such as the Hockey World Cup, we also want to bid for the 2026 Youth Olympics, the 2030 Asian Games and 2032 Olympics, which is allowed in three cities.

If we get to mature our Olympics bid, we would definitely go for Delhi, Bhubaneswar and another city.

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## 16 REASONS TO CHEER

The 16 best teams of the world descended in Bhubaneswar to unleash their brand of hockey. A synopsis of how each team fared during the 10-day mega-event.

## A SMART APPROACH

The Smart City of Bhubaneswar justified its billing with a slew of technology-driven initiatives for the public and visitors like the Wi-Fi project, high-tech Mo Bus, GPS-equipped Mo Cycles. The non-intrusive security arrangement and the street art also left lasting impressions.

## REBUILDING KALINGA

The renovation of the Kalinga Stadium, the centre-piece of the World Cup, was done in a record time. The capacity was increased to 15,000, turf was relaid, player change rooms were refurbished and VIP lounges were added to create a world-class facility.

## OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA

Never before a hockey World Cup had witnessed such a grand opening ceremony as it did in Bhubaneswar with Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan and Oscar-award winning music composer AR Rahman leading the way.

## CONNECTING THE DOTS

The DotFEST connected every visitor with an exquisite spread of food, music, art and culture. It featured international story-telling, festival, musical shows, cycle tours, food fest, heritage and nature trail walks.

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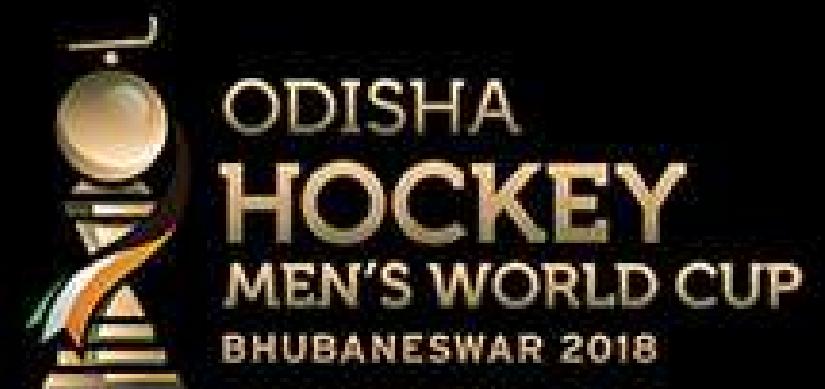
Every day's action of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 summarised, including Belgium's march to the title, Belgium captain Temas Briels recaptures their triumphant run.

## HISTORY AND HERITAGE

Odisha and Bhubaneswar have a rich history that comprises famous temples like the Jagannath Puri and the Shanti Stupa in Dhaulaigiri. The handicrafts and dance forms add to the allure of the state.

## UNTOLD STORIES

The World Cup also had some unique visitors like the eight-year old Nishtha Kaur and stellar personalities like Aussie legend Ric Charlesworth, Olympian Avtar Singh Bhulli and Japan coach Siegfried Aikman.



# A RIVETING PAST

## HISTORY OF THE WORLD CUP

The World Cup was a pressing need for hockey given that the Olympics every four years was too infrequent a competition at a global level. Pakistan's federation head Air Marshal Nur Khan convinced the FIH to institute the World Cup in 1969 and the first ever edition was held in 1971 – but not in the city initially conferred hosting rights. The competition was moved to Barcelona, Spain, from Lahore, Pakistan, because of security concerns against the backdrop of war clouds looming over the subcontinent.

Pakistan, in a remarkable tryst, lifted the first ever World Cup beating hosts Spain 1-0 in the final. The Green Shirts very nearly missed the semifinals but Japan shocked the Netherlands 1-0, thanks to goalkeeper Otsuka's heroics, which pulled Pakistan back into the title race. The Netherlands also completed a fairytale triumph at home in Amstelveen in 1973. The Dutch enjoyed a charmed life right through the competition, squeaking through to the semifinals. They won the semifinals against (West) Germany on penalty strokes and, fighting back from an early 0-2 deficit, survived a penalty stroke in golden goal extra-time against India before prevailing in the tie-breaker in the final.

India, at long last, lifted the World Cup in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in 1975. Before a crowd of 70,000 in the Merdeka stadium, they beat arch-rivals Pakistan 2-1 in a memorable final. Ajit Pal Singh's team took a 1-2 pool-stage defeat against Argentina in their stride, beat Germany 3-1 in a crunch game and then ousted hosts Malaysia 3-2 in extra-time in the semifinals after Aslam Sher Khan scored a fabled equalizer from a penalty corner with only minutes remaining. Pakistan left nothing to chance in the next World Cup in Buenos Aires, Argentina, to lift their second title. The Green Shirts won a thrilling final against the Netherlands 3-2 to captivate not just hockey fans but Argentinean football manager Cesar Menotti who flew down to Buenos Aires to discuss strategy with Pakistan hockey manager Abdul Waheed Khan.

Pakistan, it appeared, carried on from where they left off in Buenos Aires at the fifth World Cup in Mumbai. Sweeping past the opposition, Pakistan clinched their third title while running up a goal record of 38 – 12, registering the highest tally by a team in history after outplaying Germany 3-1 in the final. The next World Cup, the first on an artificial surface, turned the power equation upside down. At Willesden, London, in 1986, India and Pakistan clashed to avoid the wooden spoon. India earned the dubious distinction of finishing last after losing the 11th-12th playoff. Two other arch-rivals contested the final. Australia, powered by the legendary Ric Charlesworth, beat England 2-1 to lift their first-ever global major crown. The World Cup finally came to Pakistan in Lahore 1990 after the machinations of 1971 and the Green Shirts responded superbly by reaching the final. There, however, in front of 70,000 at the National Stadium, Pakistan were undone by a certain Florisjan Bovelander who silenced the multitude with two goals from penalty corners after the irrepressible Shahbaz Ahmed gave the hosts a lead with a goal of quality. The Dutch eventually won 3-1 and their second title.

The teams lined up again at Sydney 1994 in the final. Pakistan, this time, had the last laugh. They won on penalty strokes after full-time ended 1-1 to pick up what is still a record fourth title. The Dutch won their third World Cup title at home at Utrecht 1998, beating Spain in



**1971**  
BARCELONA

Winners : Pakistan  
Runners-UP : Spain  
Top Scorer : Tariq Dar (Pak)-8 Goals



**1973**  
AMSTELVEEN

Winners: Netherlands  
Runners-UP: India  
Top Scorer: Ties Kruize (Ned) -9 goals

## CUP THAT CHEERS

The ornate trophy that the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 champions Belgium so proudly displayed during a grand welcome at home was a gift to hockey by Pakistan way back in 1971. The trophy stands 26 inches tall and is carved out of gold, silver and ivory. Depicting a globe carrying a ball and stick, the trophy weighs over 11kg and sits majestically over a teak base.

The trophy, designed by Basheer Mojid, was manufactured by members of the Electrical and Mechanical Engineers Corps of the Pakistan Army and presented to the FIH president Rene Frank in Brussels by HE Masood, the Pakistani ambassador to Belgium.





**1975**  
KUALA LUMPUR

Winners: India  
Runners-UP: Pakistan  
Top Scorers: Ties Kruize (Ned),  
Manzoor Sr (Pak), S.Otulakowski (Pol)  
7 each goals



**1986**  
WILLESDEN

Winners: Australia  
Runners-UP: England  
Top Scorer: Ric Charlesworth (Aus)  
7 goals



**1978**  
BUENOS AIRES

Winners: Pakistan  
Runners-UP: Netherlands  
Top Scorer: Paul Litjens (Ned)-15 Goals



**1990**  
LAHORE

Winners: Netherlands  
Runners-UP: Pakistan  
Top Scorer: Ignacio Escude (Spain)  
10 Goals



**1982**  
MUMBAI

Winners: Pakistan  
Runners-UP: West Germany  
Top Scorer: Rajinder Singh (Kenya)  
12 Goals



**1994**  
SYDNEY

Winners: Pakistan  
Runners-UP: Netherlands  
Top Scorer: Taco van den Honert (Ned)  
10 goals



**1998**  
UTRECHT

Winners: Netherlands  
Runners-UP: Spain  
Top Scorer: Jay Stacey - 12 goals



**2010**  
NEW DELHI

Winners: Australia  
Runners-UP: Germany  
Top Scorers: Luke Doerner (Australia),  
Taeke Taekema (Ned) - 8 each goals



**2002**  
KUALA LUMPUR

Winners: Germany  
Runners-UP: Australia  
Top Scorers: Jorge Lembi (Argentina),  
Soheil Abbas (Pak) - 10 goals each



**2014**  
THE HAGUE

Winners: Australia  
Runners-UP: Netherlands  
Top Scorer: Gonzalo Paillet - 10 goals



**2006**  
MONCHENGLADBACH

Winners: Germany  
Runners-UP: Australia  
Top Scorer: Taeke Taekema (Ned)  
11 goals



**2018**  
BHUBANESWAR

Winners: Belgium  
Runners-UP: Netherlands  
Top Scorer: Alexander Hendrickx (Belgium),  
Blake Covert (Australia) - 7 goals each



## AN INSPIRATION

**16** Age when he joined the Indian Army

**36** Senior career span

**22** National team career span

**>400** Goals scores

 **3** Olympic golds (1928, 1932 & 1936)



### Major Dhyan Chand

(29 August 1905 - 4 December 1979)

Dhyan Chand remains the pole star for all Indian hockey players.

No Indian hockey player attained so much acclaim with his artistry than Dhyan Chand. Such was his fame that it spread beyond the country to Britain, Germany, Japan and Holland. In Britain, there is a tube station named after him and in Vienna there's a statue of the magician from India.

Right from the time he took up the sport as a teen, he was obsessed with hockey. "Ever since I started playing this beautiful game, I

became one of its great devotees," he says in his autobiography, *Goal*.

Despite all the accolades that came his way, the Allahabad-born Dhyan Chand remained a humble man. "You are doubtless aware that I am a common man, and then a soldier. It has been my training from my very childhood to avoid limelight and publicity. I have chosen a profession where I have been taught to be a soldier, and nothing beyond that," he writes in his biography.

# HOCKEY'S NURSERY SET FOR MORE PRODUCE ON NEW TURF

The gains of the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup, Bhubaneswar 2018 was not just restricted to the Kalinga Sports Complex and the capital city. It also extended 350 kilometres away to Sundargarh district, more famous as the nursery of Indian hockey. Before the mega-event kicked off in Bhubaneswar, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik announced that all 17 blocks in the district will have an astro-turf. "Sundargarh will be the only district with largest number of astro turfs in the country," he said.

Sundargarh is part of a tribal area where the hockey stick is a treasured item in every household. It should not come as a surprise then that this district alone has produced over 50 international players and innumerable national-level players. Dilip Tirkey is the biggest player to emerge from the district with his village, Saunamara, an equally famous place. The village has also produced Dipan Tirkey, vice-captain of the 2016 Junior World Cup-winning team and current India players Amit Rohidas and Birendra Lakra.

Hockey has also been a vehicle of progress for many in the district. More than 10,000 players have emerged from the schools and sports hostels of the district most of them getting employment in Railways, Odisha Police, public sector undertakings and banks. Young boys and girls playing hockey bare feet in open grounds or fields is commonplace in Sundargarh. The big games, however, are the inter-village tournaments that attracts thousands. Often the prize in such games in the past used to be a "khasi" (goat). The Khasi Cup tournaments, played over months with key matches in the weekends, are keenly contested affairs.

There are also tournaments with the cock (Murga Cup) and pig (Suar Cup) as prizes. Now, cash prizes and trophies have replaced the animals. When the inter-villages matches began in the mid-19th century, hockey was played with bamboo sticks. There is a sea of change now with most boys and girls having a proper hockey stick. The first of the new turfs announced by the Chief Minister is being laid in Saunamara village under the supervision of Dilip Tirkey, who is also a Member of Parliament and Chairman of Odisha Tourism Development Corporation.

With the Odisha government driving the resurgence of hockey in the country, Sundargarh is the best place to be for a hockey player.



# 16 REASONS TO CHEER

The congregation of world's best teams and players presented a veritable treat for hockey fans.



## ARGENTINA

Captain: Pedro Ibarra

Entering the fray as Olympic champions, Los Leones made it clear they would settle for nothing else than the World Cup title. The South Americans' dream, however, came crashing down in the quarterfinals where they lost to England 2-3 in a riveting encounter. Argentina grabbed bronze – the first in a major global championship – at the 2014 Utrecht World Cup – and scaled the summit at the 2016 Rio Olympics with the gold medal after beating Belgium 4-2 in the final. A feat not performed by their much-celebrated women's team in whose shadow the men's team have lived for decades. Coached by German Orozco who replaced Carlos Retegui, the man who shaped success, Argentina looked the team to beat as they sealed a direct quarterfinal spot by winning their first two but seemed to lose momentum after a shocking defeat to the lowest ranked team France 3-5. Gonzalo Peillat, the best drag-flicker in the world, lived up to the billing with six goals, finishing second on the goal scorers list as his dejected team were forced to settle for the seventh spot in the end.

Nickname: Los Leones. World Cup Appearances: 13. Best finish: 3rd (2014).

How they qualified: Continental champions of Pan America. How they fared in Odisha: Finished seventh, eliminated in quarterfinals.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 2. After: 4

Squad: Juan Vivaldi (GK), Gonzalo Peillat, Juan Gilardi, Pedro Ibarra (C), Matías Casella, Matías Paredes, Joaquín Menini, Lucas Vila, Ignacio Ortiz, Juan López, Tomás Bettaglio, Tomás Santiago (GK), Matías Rey, Lucas Martínez, Nicolás Cicileo, Agustín Mazzilli, Lucas Rossi, Agustín Bugallo.

Team staff: Juan Pablo Hourqueble, Stand-in Manager: Matías Vila, Head Coach: German Orozco, Medical Doctor: Javier Blanco, Physiotherapist: Mariano Arias.



## AUSTRALIA

Captain: Aran Zalewski

Australia, chasing an unprecedented hat-trick of titles, failed in their bid when they lost to the Netherlands in a semifinal shootout. Few would have betted against the Kookaburras lifting the magnificent trophy for the fourth time, given the depth of their resources and an imposing level of fitness. For all that, Australia huffed and puffed against a game Ireland in their opener which they won 2-1 and left it for the last quarter to slam in three goals without reply against arch-rivals England. An 11-0 victory over China fell one goal short of their own World Cup record (against South Africa in 2010) brought the green-and-gold coached by former Kookaburra international Colin Batch a direct quarterfinal spot. A 3-0 win over France saw them go head-to-head with the Netherlands. Down 1-2 with 26 seconds to go, Australia took the match into the tiebreaker when co-captain Eddie Ockenden scored. Forward Blake Covers emerged tournament joint top scorer with seven goals, an honour shared with Belgium's Alexander Hendrickx. The Aussies collected the bronze medal, pounding England 8-1 which took their goal record in the tournament to 29-4, emerging thereby as the team with the maximum goals scored in this edition. The Kookaburras also broke Pakistan's record of 15 straight wins in the competition, eventually stretching their streak to 17 with a 3-0 win over France in the quarterfinals.

Nickname: Kookaburras. World Cup Appearances: 13. Titles: 3 (1986, 2010, 2014).

How they qualified: Continental champions of Oceania. How they fared in Odisha: Finished third (bronze medallists).

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 1. After: 2

Squad: Tom Craig, Corey Weyer, Jake Harvie, Matt Dawson, Eddie Ockenden (C), Jake Whetton, Blake Covers, Tim Howard, Aran Zalewski (C), Matthew Swann, Flynn Ogilvie, Daniel Beale, Tyler Lovell (GK), Trent Milton, Dylan Wotherspoon, Tim Brand, Andrew Charter (GK), Jeremy Hayward, Jeremy Hayward.

Team staff: Peter Bowen, Stand-in Manager: Anthony Potter, Head Coach: Colin Batch, Medical Doctor: Gary Clayton, Physiotherapist: Michael Wood, Psychologist: Brian Fitzpatrick.





## BELGIUM

Captain: Thomas Briels

Simply red was the colour of the top podium at the Kalinga stadium. After a spate of silver medals, Belgium created history in more ways than one. The Red Lions not just emerged as the sixth nation to inscribe their name on the trophy but also became the first ever Belgian team in any sport to win a World Cup. Guided by Shane McLeod of New Zealand, the Red Lions were keen to improve on the silver medal they earned at the 2016 Rio Olympics. Following a meteoric rise gauged by a climb from No. 13 in the world in 2007 to No. 3 when they landed in Bhubaneswar, Belgium profited from a concerted effort by their federation to develop the sport starting with an exhaustive grassroots programme. It all came to fruition with an amazing run by the Red Lions in the World Cup despite losing two key players to illness and injury with another – Simon Cougnard – braving the loss of his father just before the semifinals. It was a supreme team performance even though Arthur van Doren, a sublime defender and FIH Player of the Year added another feather by being voted player of the tournament. Co-defender Alexander Hendrickx finished joint top-scorer with Australia's Blake Covert with seven goals – all scored with telling drag flicks. Thomas Briels, the captain, was ever the livewire in the attack and Vincent Vanasch the hero in a penalty shootout in the final against the Netherlands after another veteran Floren van Aubel kept his cool with two attempts under high pressure in the nerve-wracking tiebreaker. The ticker tape welcome back home in Brussels was no less than the team deserved.

**Nickname:** Red Lions. **Ranking:** 3. **World Cup Appearances:** 6. **Best finish:** 1st in Odisha (2018). **World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018:** 3. **After:** 1. **How they qualified:** First at Hockey World League Semi-Final Johannesburg. **How they fared in Odisha:** Champions.

**Squad:** Loic van Doren (GK), Arthur van Doren, John-John Dohmen, Florent van Aubel, Sébastien Dockier, Cédric Charlier, Gauthier Boccard, Nicolas de Kerpel, Augustin Meurmans, Emmanuel Stockbroekx, Alexander Hendrickx, Thomas Briels (C), Félix Denayer, Vincent Vanasch (GK), Simon Cougnard, Arthur de Sloover, Antoine Kina, Léon Luykpaert, Victor Wegnez, Tom Boon. **Team staff:** Eric Pirene, Stand-in Manager: Craig Fulton, Stand-in Manager: Mick Beuner, Head Coach: Shane McLeod, Medical Doctor: Katja van Oostveldt, Physiotherapist: Julien Ryman.



## CANADA

Captain: Scott Tupper

Living in the shadow of ice hockey, Canada's gritty field hockey players came to Bhubaneswar with a reputation of beating higher ranked teams. Point in case a 3-2 win over India in the HWL Semifinals in London the year before.

So it was with a bit of apprehension that Belgium crossed swords with the Red Caribou, winning by the odd goal in three.

Canada achieved their best ever finish of eighth place at Utrecht 1998. With over 500 international caps between them, veterans Scott Tupper, Mark Pearson and ace goalkeeper David Carter carried the challenge at the Kalinga Stadium. Canada, with a sprinkling of Indian origin players, faltered against South Africa in a 1-1 draw and kept India at bay with honours even till the fourth quarter during which the hosts slammed in four goals to win 5-1 and eliminate the North Americans whose 11th finish must come as a disappointment.

**Nickname:** Red Caribou. **World Cup Appearances:** 6. **Best finish:** 8th (1998). **How they qualified:** 5th Place at Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final London. **How they fared in Odisha:** Finished 11th, eliminated in crossover matches.

**World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018:** 11. **After:** 10

**Squad:** Floris van Son, Brandon Pereira, Scott Tupper (C), Gabriel García, Oliver Scholfield, Richard Hildreth, Keegan Pereira, Balraj Panesar, Gordon Johnston, Brenden Bisset, James Wallace, Mark Pearson, Matthew Sarmento, John Smythe, Iain Smythe, James Kirkpatrick, Sukhi Panesar, David Carter (GK), Antoni Kindler (GK).

**Team staff:** Team Manager: Kelly Vanry, Head Coach: Paul Bundy, Medical Doctor: Navin Prasad, Physiotherapist: Guy Robertson,



# TEAM WATCH



## CHINA

Captain: Du Chen

The first debutants after Cuba in 2002, China became the 25th nation to play in the World Cup. Any thoughts of dismissing them were quickly dispatched in their opener which they held World No. 7 England to a shock 2-2 draw. Du Takale proved his worth at penalty corners, equalizing late against England after Guo Xiaoping provided a touch of artistry to put China ahead. The second-lowest ranked China at No. 17 then drew 1-1 with Ireland and despite being mauled 0-1 by Australia squeaked into the cross-over at third place in Pool B. A 0-1 defeat to France ended their campaign but the Chinese left Bhubaneswar heads high with 10th place a creditable finish.

The young team comprising of players of one province – Inner Mongolia – and coached by the renowned South Korean Kim Sang Ryul hold potential for the future as China hopes to climb the ladder after a slump following an Asian Games silver medal in Doha in 2006.

World Cup Appearances: 1

How they qualified: 8th Place – Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final London. How they fared in Odisha: Finished 10th, Eliminated in crossover matches.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 17. After: 14

Squad: Xiaoping Guo, Zhiwei Ao (GK), Quyang Cuan, Suozhu Ao, Wenhui E, Yang Ao, Dihao Meng, Jun Su, Nan Meng, Wenlin Su, Liqin Su, Chen Du (C), Talake Du, Zixiang Guo, Wenlong E, Calyu Wang (GK), Weibao Ao, Jin Cuo.

Team staff: Team Manager: Fu Jing, Head Coach: Sang Ryul Kim, Medical Doctor: Jian E.



## ENGLAND

Captain: George Pinner

England hoped they would be third time lucky in their quest for their first medal after a silver in the 1986 World Cup at home. Having finished fourth in 2010 and 2014, the English side, coached by Danny Kerry who guided the Great Britain women to the Olympic gold medal in Rio, not just failed in their objective after reaching the semifinals yet again but conceded 14 goals in their last two matches.

A 6-0 mauling by Belgium in the semifinals and an 8-1 by Australia erased the memory of some good work earlier in the tournament by a team sporting 13 players with no World Cup experience around a seven-strong core group of veterans including Barry Middleton, the midfielder who now has 432 caps. Sam Ward, a lethal striker, was ruled out late by England's strict concussion policy but Liam Ansell stepped into the breach and his nose for goals saw him score in the first match against China which ended 2-2 – a shocking result for the English who were then beaten by Australia 3-0 in their second match. Better days were to come, though, and the English beat the Irish 4-2 to make the cross-overs where they blanked New Zealand. Then followed their best performance in the Cup when they packed off Olympic champions Argentina 3-2 in a cracker of a match. Against Belgium, however, the team seemed bereft of ideas after falling behind. A tennis score followed and visions of a medal were dispelled by a ruthless Australia, smarting from their own semifinal defeat at the hands of the Netherlands.

World Cup Appearances: 13. Best finish: 2nd (1986).

How they qualified: 3rd Place at Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final London. How they fared in Odisha: Finished fourth.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 7. After: 7

Squad: George Pinner (C,GK), Harry Gibson (GK), Luke Taylor, David Ames, Harry Martin, Ian Sloan (C), Michael Hoare, Mark Gleghorne, Phil Reper (C), Adam Dixon, Barry Middleton, Liam Ansell, David Condon, Jack Waller, James Gall, Liam Sanford, Will Calnan, Zachary Wallace Zachary.

Team staff: Andy Halliday, Head Coach: Danny Kerry, Medical Doctor: Nigel Rayner, Physiotherapist: Sophie Weaver.



# TEAM WATCH



## FRANCE

Captain: Charlet Victor

The lowest ranked team in the fray at No. 20, France did much to suggest they were worth much more. They well and truly provided one of the high moments of the World Cup with a sensational 5-3 victory over Olympic champions Argentina in Pool A. The win took France into the cross-overs where they beat China 1-0 and set up a quarterfinal against the World No. 1 side Australia. Coached by Dutchman Jeroen Delmee, twice Olympic gold medalist, France bowed out after a 0-3 defeat to the Kookaburras to finish eighth. Ironically, it wasn't their best ever World Cup finish which is seventh achieved at Barcelona 1971 and Lahore 1990 - their last appearance in the tournament -- where they beat powerhouses India 2-1. Bubbling with talent, the team was well served by the towering defender and penalty corner expert Victor Charlet and Hugo Genezet, a forward full of skill and guile.

Nickname: Les Bleus. Ranking: 20. World Cup Appearances: 3. Best finish: 7th (1971, 1990).

How they qualified: 7th Place at Hockey World League Johannesburg. How they fared in Odisha: Finished eighth, eliminated in quarterfinals.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 20. After: 15.

Squad: Arthur Thieffry (GK), Pieter van Straaten, Tom Genestet, Hugo Genezet, Blaise Rozeau, Viktor Lockwood, Charles Masson, Nicolas Dumont, Gaspard Baumgarten, Francois Goyet, Cristoforo Peters-Deutz, Jean-Baptiste Fergues, Etienne Tynevez, Victor Charlet (C), Aristide Colne, Maximilien Branicki, Timothee Clement, Corentin Saunier (GK).

Team staff: Team Manager: Antoine Francois. Stand-in Manager: Aymeric Bergamo. Head Coach: Jeroen Delmee. Medical Doctor: Christophe Popineau. Physiotherapist: Sebastien Le Bris. Physiotherapist: Vincent Rabec.



## GERMANY

Captain: Marting Haner

Germany began their Odisha campaign in characteristic fashion. Scratches and tentativeness. A 1-0 win over Pakistan who played an ultra-defensive game kept the twice World Cup champions and four-time Olympic gold medalists at bay. But true to their wont, the Germans moved into higher gear and aptly so when it came to arch-rivals the Netherlands in their next game in Pool D. They bounced back from a deficit in the first quarter and blitzed the Dutch in the final quarter scoring three more goals to end 4-1 victors.

Coach Stefan Kermans' side possessed skills to match solidity in tactics and strategy. Forwards Christopher Ruhr, Florian Fuchs, captain and defender Martin Haner and a strong midfield including Mats Grambusch in the ranks made for a formidable unit.

However, Die Honamas survived a Malaysian scare before winning 5-3 and progressing directly to the quarterfinals where they lost to Belgium 1-2 after taking the lead. The fifth spot was one better than The Hague 2014 but must rankle. The Germans rarely missed the semifinals but have now gone two World Cups in a row without their customary presence in the medal rounds.

Nickname: Die Honamas. World Cup Appearances: 14. Titles: 2002, 2006.

How they qualified: 2nd Place - Hockey World League Semi-Final Johannesburg.

How they fared: Fifth place after losing in the quarterfinals. World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 6. After: 6.

Squad: Matthias Muller, Mats Grambusch, Lukas Windfeder, Martin Haner (C), Julius Meyer, Niklas Wellen, Dan Nguyen, Timm Herzbruch, Tobias Hauke, Tom Grambusch, Dieter Linnekogel, Christopher Ruhr, Ferdinand Weinke, Tobias Walter (GK), Marco Miltkau, Florian Fuchs, Benedikt Furk, Johannes Grobe, Victor Aly (GK).

Team staff: Team Manager: Eric Langner. Stand-in Manager: Eric Verboom. Head Coach: Stefan Kermans. Medical Doctor: Philip Ibo. Physiotherapist: Moritz Falcke. Physiotherapist: Gunnar Maurer. Psychologist: Wolfgang Klockner.



# TEAM WATCH



## INDIA

Captain: Manpreet Singh

India gave hope to their countless fans that perhaps Bhubaneswar 2018 was their time. The lone 1975 World Cup win a distant memory, coach Harendra Singh's team breezed past South Africa 5-0 in their opener while riding on the support of a packed 15,000 crowd at the Kalinga Stadium. The boys in blue matched wits with eventual champions and Olympic silver medalists Belgium in a 2-2 draw before routing Canada 5-1 to earn a direct berth to the quarterfinals.

Captained by midfielder Manpreet Singh who had an array of skilful forwards in Akashdeep Singh, Mandeep Singh and Lalit Upadhyay, India sparked in the attack and displayed a resolute defence in Harmanpreet Singh, Surender Kumar and Varun Kumar backed up by the veteran PR Sreejesh in goal. However, playing three-time champions the Netherlands in the quarterfinals, the young team floundered after taking an early lead. The Dutch punished the hosts for defensive frailties and momentary lack of discipline to score a come-from-behind victory and silence the huge crowd. The disappointment of defeat sadly masked a creditable sixth place finish – the best in 16 years – and the promise of a team that showed it could match the best in the business.

World Cup Appearances: 14, Titles: 1 (1975)

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 5, After: 5

How they qualified: Host nation / Continental champions of Asia.  
How they fared in Odisha: Finished 6th, eliminated in quarterfinals.

Squad: Harmanpreet Singh, Dilpreet Singh, Kochajit Khadangbam, Surender Kumar, Manpreet Singh C, Hardik Singh, Simranjeet Singh, Mandeep Singh, Lalit Upadhyay, Sreejesh Parattu (GK), Sumit, Nilokanta Sharma, Krishan Pathak (GK), Varun Kumar, Birendra Lakra, Akashdeep Singh, Chinglendra Kangujam, Amit Rohidas.

Team staff: Team Manager: Chris Ciriello, Stand-In Manager: Bharat Kumar Chetri, Head Coach: Harendra Singh, Physiotherapist: David MacDonald, Physiotherapist: Sanjeet Kumar.



## IRELAND

Captain: David Harte

Ireland moved up the echelons of world hockey in recent years through talent, planning and sheer grit much of which was on show in Bhubaneswar. They stretched Australia, the defending champions, 1-2 in their opener but were found wanting in crucial periods of the match they dominated against China which ended in a 1-1 draw. Pitted against England, Ireland lost 2-4 in a rousing match where they equalized twice. The Irish had headed to Odisha taking inspiration from their women's team's stunning silver medal display at the World Cup in London earlier in the year. Key players included midfield dynamo Shane O'Donoghue as well as twin brothers Conor and David Harte, defender and 2017 FIH Goalkeeper of the Year respectively.

World Cup Appearances: 4, Best finish: 12th

How they qualified: 5th Place at Hockey World League Semi-Final Johannesburg. How they fared in Odisha: Finished 14, eliminated at group stage.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 10, After: 11

Squad: David Harte (Cap & GK), Jonathan Bell, Matthew Bell, Chris Carge, Matthew Nelson, Alan Sothern, Eugene Magee, Kirk Shrimmins, Shane O'Donoghue, Sean Murray, Michael Darling, Michael Robson, David Fitzgerald (GK), Daragh Walsh, Paul Gleghorne, Conor Harte, Lee Cole, Stuart Loughrey.

Team staff: Team Manager: Gareth Kidd, Stand-In Manager: John Bessell, Head Coach: Alexander Cox, Medical Doctor: Katherine Lydon, Physiotherapist: Niamh Miley, Physiotherapist: Julianne Ryan.



# TEAM WATCH



## MALAYSIA

Captain: Sukri Mutalib

A team that can beat any other on their day, had a tough task in Pool D where they had to contend with three former champions – Germany, the Netherlands and Pakistan. Having acquired the services of revered head coach Roelant Oltmans of the Netherlands, Malaysia's hopes to make an impression in Bhubaneswar came to grief.

The Speedy Tigers were stopped in their tracks by the Dutch who clinically effected a 7-0 rout but the key clash against Pakistan which ended 1-1 all but spelt doom for a team still smarting from losing the Asian Games final by a whisker to Japan and failing to secure a direct Olympic berth.

Still, Malaysia bowed out fighting coming agonizingly close to forcing a draw with Germany.

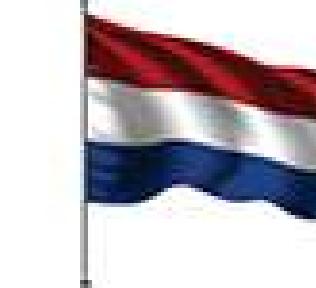
Nickname: Speedy Tigers. World Cup Appearances: 9. Best finish: 4th (1975).

How they qualified: 4th Place at Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final London. How they fared in Odisha: Finished 19th, eliminated in the group stage.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 12. After: 13.

Squad: Norsyafiq Sumantri, Ramadan Rosli, Marhan Jali, Firdi Saari, Joël van Huizen, Faizal Saari, Syed Cholan, Sukri Mutalib ©, Firhan Ashari, Nabil Noor, Kumar Subramaniam (GK), Razie Rahim, Faiz Jali, Azri Hassan, Azuan Hasan, Tengku Tajuddin, Aiman Rozemi, Hairi Rahman (GK).

Team staff: Team Manager: Stephen van Hulzen, Stand-In Manager: Nasihini Ibrahim, Stand-In Manager: Terence Walsh, Head Coach: Roelant Oltmans, Physiotherapist: Fauzan Sanusi, Physiotherapist: Muhammad Suhaimi.



## NETHERLANDS

Captain: Billy Bakker

With a rich history in the World Cup, three-time champions Netherlands were making a bid to go one better than at the last edition at home in The Hague where they finished second. Head coach Max Caldas, the Argentine-born, promised his team would display the skills and tactics that have made the orange-clad European powerhouse a sight to behold on the hockey pitch. Led by midfielder Billy Bakker, the Dutch had a team packed with talent. Forwards Jeroen Hertzberger, Mirco Pruijser and Thierry Brinkman along with midfielders Bakker, Seve van Ass and Robbert Kemperman produced a lethal brand of inter-play that tore open the sturdiest of defences. Yet, they had to be content with a second spot once again after going down to Belgium in an edge-of-the-seat final that went to the shootout. The Dutch began with a 7-0 win over Malaysia but, despite dominating, endured a 1-4 reverse against Germany, their keen Euro rivals. A 5-1 drubbing of Pakistan set up a seemingly easy cross-over against Canada but the Netherlands, professionals to the core, never released their foot off the pedal in a 5-0 win that set a date with hosts India. The Dutch took the partisan crowd support in their stride along with an early deficit before winning the key moments and match 2-1. A shootout win to dethrone Australia in the semifinals pitted them against neighbours Belgium but did not enjoy the rub of the green this time around.

Nickname: Oranje. Ranking: 4. World Cup Appearances: 14. Titles: 1973, 1990, 1998. How they qualified: Continental champions of Europe / 1st Place - Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final, London. How they fared in Odisha: Finished second (silver medal).

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 4. After: 3.

Squad: Jeroen Hertzberger, Lars Balk, Thijn van Dam, Jonas de Geus, Jorrit Croon, Billy Bakker ©, Seve van Ass, Valentijn Verga, Glenn Schuurman, Sander de Wijn, Sander Baart, Robbert Kemperman, Mirco Pruijser, Bob de Voogd, Sam van der Ven (GK), Joep de Mol, Thierry Brinkman, Pimmin Blaak (GK), Mink van der Weenden.

Team staff: Team Manager: Joop Verhees, Joop Stand-In Manager van den Honert, Head Coach: Max Caldas, Medical Doctor: Conny van Bentum, Physiotherapist: Mischa Vermieljs, Physiotherapist: Jeremy Bertels.



# TEAM WATCH



## NEW ZEALAND

Captain: Blair Tarrant

A last quarter fightback to neutralize a 0-2 deficit against Spain in their concluding pool A match brought New Zealand a spot in the cross-overs. The Kiwis came to Bhubaneswar enjoying the momentum of a silver-medal winning performance at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games and opened with a 2-1 win over France. Coached by former Black Sticks star Darren Smith and captained by attack-oriented defender Blair Tarrant, the Kiwis succumbed to Argentina 0-3 but pulled it out of the fire with a late resurgence over the Spanish to progress to the knock-out stage. Youngsters Hayden Phillips and Kane Russell, from a penalty corner, scored to ensure Kiwi survival in the tournament. However, New Zealand, aiming to better their best finish of seventh place achieved four times, made their exit after losing to 0-2 England in the cross-overs.

Nickname: Black Sticks. World Cup Appearances: 10. Best finish: 7th (1973, 1975, 1982, 2014).

How they qualified: 6th Place at Hockey World League Semi-Final Johannesburg. How they fared in Odisha: Finished ninth, eliminated in cross-over matches.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 9. After: 11.

Squad: Bennet Cory, Dane Lett, Nick Ross, Richard Joyce (GK), Marcus Child, Jared Panchia, George Emerson (GK), Aidan Sarikaya, Nic Woods, Kane Russell, Blair Tarrant (C), Arun Panchia, Shea McAleese, Stephen Jenness, Dominic New man, Hugo Inglis, George Muir, Hayden Phillips.

Team staff: Team Manager: Hemant Lala, Stand-In Manager: Kevin Marr, Head Coach: Darren Smith, Medical Doctor: Simon Baker, Physiotherapist: Isabel Freeman.



## PAKISTAN

Captain: Muhammad Irfan Senior

Pakistan won the World Cup a record four times and along with three Olympic gold medals, the Green Shirts are one of the most decorated nations in world hockey. Their last World Cup title, however, came in 1994 after which Pakistan have never made the semifinals of the event. Goalkeeper Imran Butt and captain and defender Mohammed Rizwan (Sr) along with forward Umar Bhutta were the mainstays of the team which longed to make amends for the lean years. Their disappointment in World Cup continued as they bowed out after losing to eventual champions Belgium in the cross-overs.

Plagued by financial issues and suspiciously lacking in fitness, Pakistan reportedly nearly pulled out of the World Cup. They began well, albeit in a defensive mode, in a 0-1 defeat to Germany but held Malaysia 1-1 to secure a vital point which helped the Green Shirts make the cross-overs despite a 1-5 defeat to the Netherlands. There, a 0-5 defeat to the eventual champions summed up the lamentations of Coach Taqueer Dar and manager Hassan Sardar of the woes hampering the game in Pakistan.

Nickname: Green Shirts. Ranking: 13. World Cup Appearances: 13. Titles: 1971, 1978, 1982, 1994.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 13. After: 12.

How they qualified: 7th Place at Hero Hockey World League Semi-Final London. How they fared in Odisha: Finished 12th, eliminated in the crossover.

Squad: Imran Butt (GK), Mubashar Ali, Toseeq Arshad, Rashid Mehmood, Muhammad Irfan Jr, Muhammad Irfan, Ali Shan, Muhammad Rizwan (C), Mazhar Abbas (GK), Aleem Bilal, Umar Bhutta, Ammad Butt (C), Muhammad Zubair, Muhammad Atta, Faisal Qadir, Tasawar Abbas, Arslan Qadir, Ajaz Ahmad, Abu Mahmood.

Team staff: Manager: Hassan Sardar. Head coach: Tauqeer Dar, Assistant coach: Rehan Butt. Physiotherapist: Waqas Mehmood.



# TEAM WATCH



## SOUTH AFRICA

Captain: Tim Drummond

They came to Bhubaneswar digging into their savings. With government funding inadequate, South Africa's players were compelled to make financial sacrifices. They couldn't have had a bigger challenge in their opener than playing India in the cauldron of the Kalinga stadium. A 5-0 defeat ensued. South Africa then missed the plot in their next match against Canada which ended 1-1 after they took the lead. Belgium, chasing a direct quarterfinal spot, handed the African champions a 5-1 drubbing to leave the beleaguered African champions holding the wooden spoon.

The final placing somewhat did injustice to South Africa's clutch of experienced and talented players. Rhett Halkett and Austin Smith are based in Europe bolster the defence while Richard Pautz and the veteran Julian Hykes carried the team's scoring hopes in their quest to make the cross-overs.

World Cup Appearances: 6. Best finish: 10th (1994, 2010)

How they qualified: Continental champions of Africa. How they fared in Odisha: Finished last, eliminated at the group stage.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 15. After: 16

Squad: Tyson Dlungwana, Austin Smith, Tim Drummond (C), Nduduza Lembetho, Julian Hykes, Tim Hammond, Keenan Horne, Dayaan Castelein, Rhett Halkett, Richard Pautz, Taylor Dart, Taine Paton, Mohamed Mea, Jethro Eustice, Bassie Pieterse (GK), Nicholas Spooner, Ngobile Ntuli Cowan Jones (GK).

Team staff: Team Manager: Martin van Staden. Stand-In Manager: Sihle Ntuli. Head Coach: Mark Hopkins. Medical Doctor: Gavin Shang. Physiotherapist: Khuliso Netshivhangani.



## SPAIN

Captain: Miguel Delas

Spain promised much but were the first to exit the World Cup after squandering a 2-0 lead against New Zealand in Pool A. The 2-2 draw enabled the Kiwis to move into the cross-overs and left the Red Sticks with much soul searching. The Red Sticks demise deprived the competition of the stick skills of Enrique Gonzales de Castellon, a star at the 2016 Junior World Cup in Lucknow, but one who will rue missed chances that could well have made a difference. The Spanish, coached by former French international Frederic Soyez, have five silver medals (three Olympic, two World Cup) but have gone empty-handed since the 2008 Beijing Olympics where they finished runners-up. Spain combined flair, experience and work ethics but were found wanting at crucial junctures in the match against France which they drew 1-1, thanks to star goalkeeper Quico Cortes' saving a penalty stroke and the draw against New Zealand. Finishing 13th was a poor return for a team that promised so much.

Nickname: Red Sticks. Ranking: 8. World Cup Appearances: 14. Best finish: 2nd (1971, 1998).

How they qualified: 4th Place in Hockey World League Semi-Final Johannesburg. How they fared in Odisha: Finished 13, eliminated at the group stage.

World ranking before the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018: 8. After: 9

Squad: Quico Cortes (Capt & GK), Sergi Enrique, Ricardo Sanchez, Marc Serrahima, Ignacio Rodriguez, Miguel Delas (C), Enrique Gonzalez, Alvaro Iglesias, Marc Salles, Ricardo Santana, Diego Arana, Xavi Leonart, Alejandro de Frutos, Vicenc Ruiz, Albert Beltran, Josep Romeu, Mario Garin (GK), Pau Quernada.

Team staff: Team manager: Cesar Hernandez. Stand-In Manager: Ramon Sala. Head Coach: Frederic Soyez. Medical Doctor: Silvia Munoz. Physiotherapist: Jaume March.



# OLLY GOOD FELLA



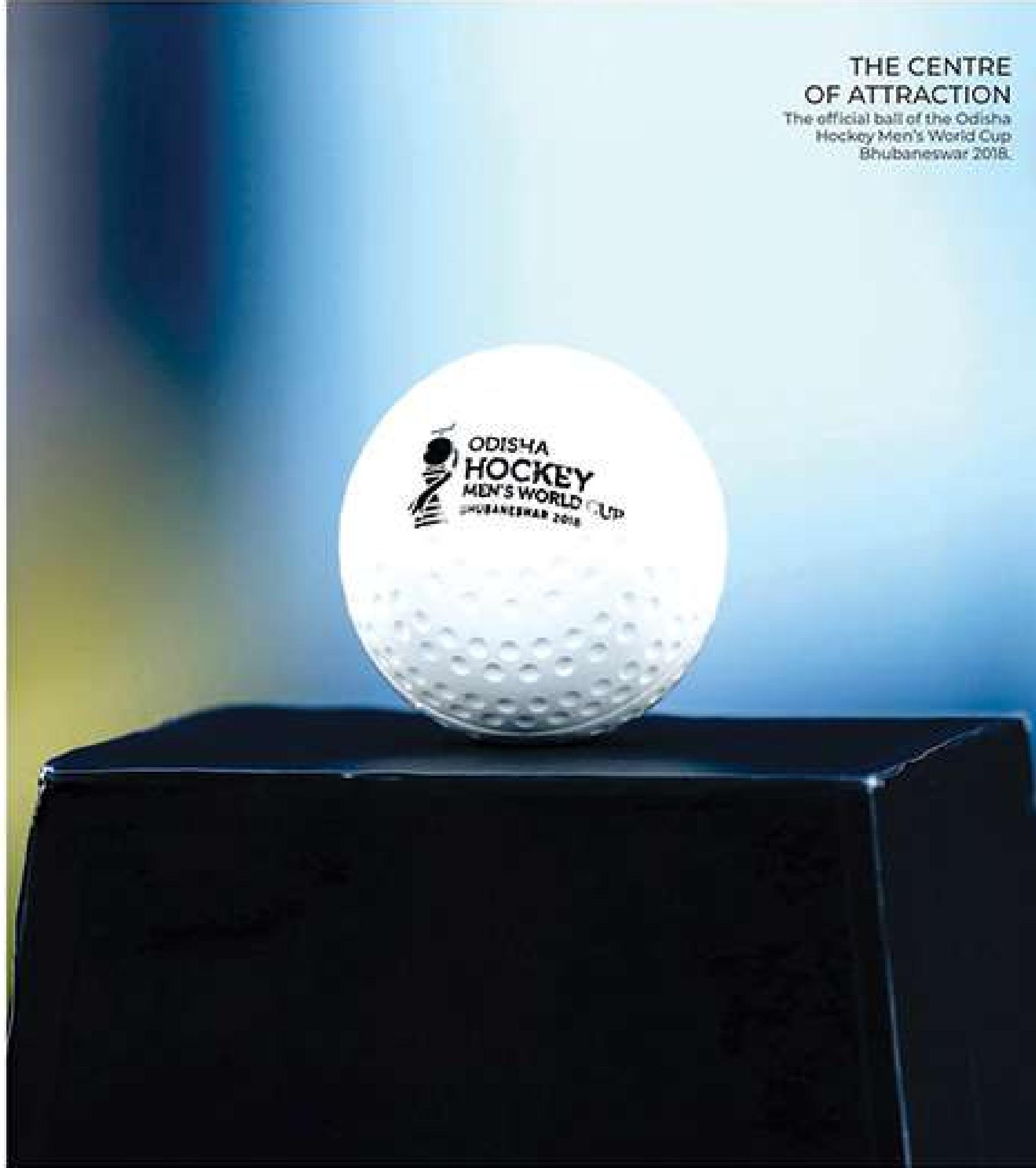
## A CUTE, CONFIDENT AND SOCIAL MASCOT

Ollie was chosen as the mascot of the Hockey World Cup as it personifies the spirit of sportsmanship and marries it with an urgent message for conservation of our natural habitat.

The cute, confident and social mascot represents the endangered Olive Ridley Sea Turtles whose biggest home in the world is at the Gahirmatha Beach in Odisha. Two other nesting sites in the state are at the mouth of rivers Rushikulya and Devi. Nearly 50 per cent of the world's Olive Ridleys are found in Odisha. Scientists and nature lovers all over the world were stunned in April 2017 when 200,000 baby Olive Ridley turtles came out of their nesting pits within a span of 24 hours at the Gahirmata beach.



# BID SUCCESS



## THE CENTRE OF ATTRACTION

The official ball of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018.



## FORWARD MARCH

The Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik and government officials at the old Kalinga Stadium. Below: FIH and Hockey India officials during a presentation in Bhubaneswar.

## IT ALL BEGAN IN 2013...

Bhubaneswar's journey to host the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 began when Hockey India bagged the honours to conduct the mega-event on a wintery night in November 2013.

The then FIH President Leandro Negre, while making the announcement at a special ceremony in Lausanne, Switzerland, termed India's bid as "truly extraordinary".

Although Hockey India had firmed their sights on Bhubaneswar sometime in 2016, the official announcement was made in March 2017.

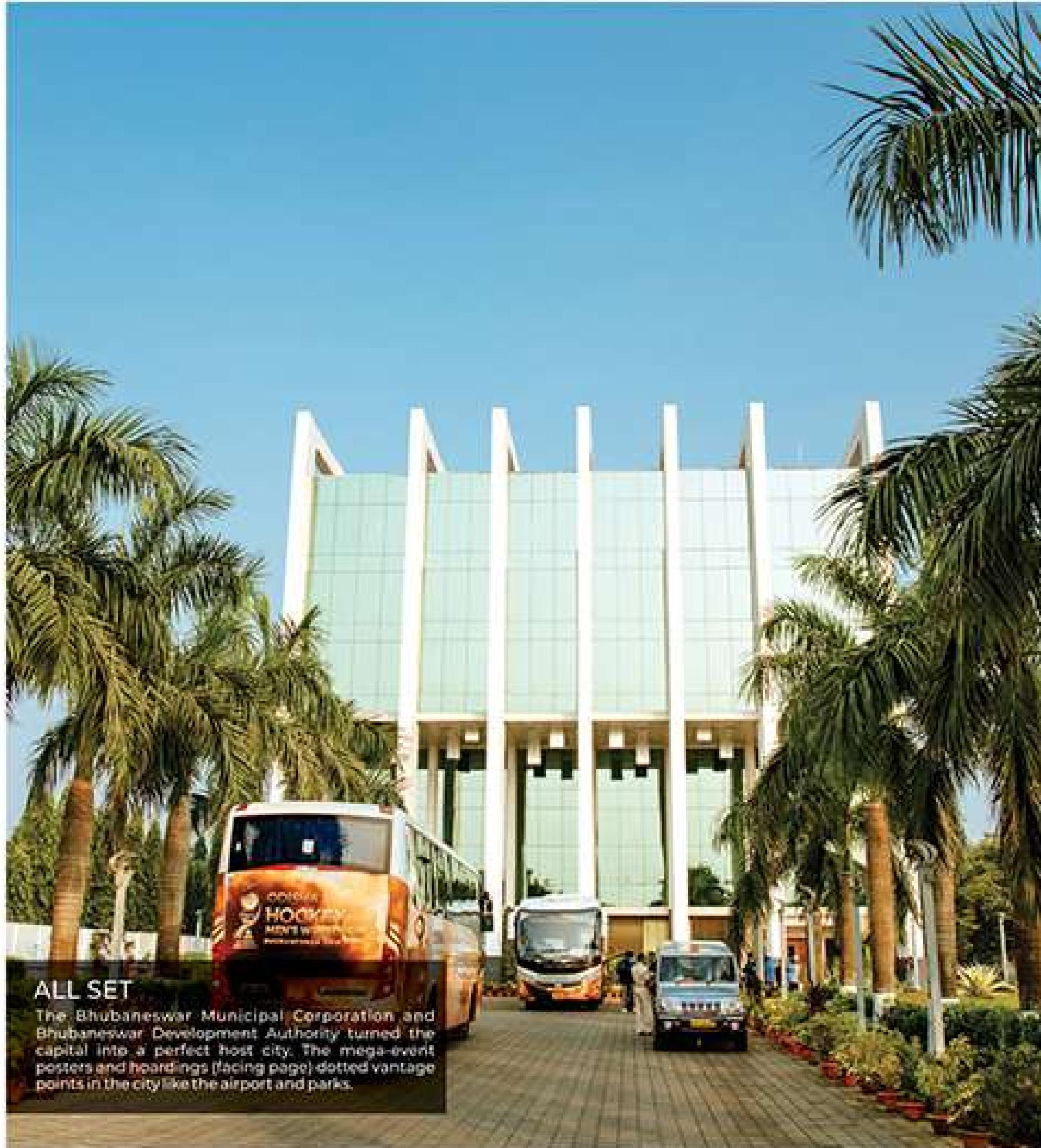
A delighted Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik said: "It brings me immense pride to announce that the Government of Odisha will be hosting the prestigious Odisha Men's Hockey World League Final Bhubaneswar 2017 as well as the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018. Over the years, Odisha has played host to several reputed international events and we are very happy to be hosting the hockey events in Bhubaneswar, which has seen thousands of hockey fans throng the Kalinga Stadium for hockey matches, be it the Coal India Hockey India league or to cheer the international teams during the international events."

The State of Odisha was also confirmed as title sponsors of both events.

Hockey India chief Narinder Dhruv Batra, who was elected FIH president in November 2016, was confident of Bhubaneswar putting up a grand show. "Bhubaneswar is a city ready to welcome the world. Its passionate sports fans and our experienced hosts will create an incredible environment for our stars to shine during what are the two of the biggest events in our sport," he said.



## THE PREPARATORY WORK



VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE ODISHA GOVERNMENT CREATED THE RIGHT ENVIRONMENT FOR THE MEGA-EVENT

A slew of projects, which the Odisha Government had undertaken in the past were fast-tracked to coincide with the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018. The Smart City tag acted as a booster to the administration, who created a terrific environment for the mega-event. The Odisha Police, Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation, the Bhubaneswar Development Authority, Sports and Youth Services Department and Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation guided by the dynamic leadership of the Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik ensured the preparatory work for the event was done and dusted well in time.

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The theme of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup, Bhubaneswar 2018 – My Heart Beats For Hockey – rung out loud not only in the capital city but also in the whole country.

## A SMART APPROACH



### TECHNOLOGY, AN ABLE ALLY

#### Connecting the World

The 'Bhubaneswar Me WiFi' project was another feather in the Smart City's cap ahead of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018.

With a flood of tourists turning for the hockey extravaganza, the State government was eager to provide internet connectivity to all visitors.

The first phase had 100 hotspots-enabled locations with 275 access points. Gradually, the hotspot locations were increased to 518 with 1,800 access points.

The Chief Minister while launching the project from the State Secretariat urged the youth to make full use of the facility. "The City

of Temples will have an IT backbone comparable to the best modern cities in the world," he said.

The civic body pitched in by providing a clean environment to the mega-event. They did it by mechanically sweeping the roads, which also helped in controlling the air pollution. A stretch of 80 kms of main roads across the city was cleaned mechanically on a regular basis. Another addition was the setting up of 60 pre-fabricated stainless steel toilets, 30 for men and the remaining 30 for women.

These fully-automatic smart toilets, that flushed itself clean, ushered in a new hygiene culture.



### IN SAFE HANDS

A well-prepared security set-up often helps people enjoy the event without any fear. In Bhubaneswar, the Odisha Police added something else that became the talking point of the mega-event: courteousness. Every visitor to Bhubaneswar was greeted with warmth and a smile.

An efficient traffic management ensured the teams' passage from the hotels to the stadium was a smooth affair. The strategically positioned help desks were also of immense assistance to the visitors and tourists.

# A SMART APPROACH

## MO BUS, A BIG HIT

The Capital Region Urban Transport (CRUT) of Bhubaneswar pitched their support to the World Cup by introducing 200 high-tech buses for public use. The citizen-friendly buses were equipped with a mobile application to book tickets and get information of the buses. As many as 100 new Bus Queue Shelters were also built. The shelters had digital screens displaying the route and timings of buses.

The entire bus operations and the mobile application were linked with the command and control centre of Bhubaneswar Smart City Limited to help them monitor the services. The modern fleet of buses was routed through the ambitious Bhubaneswar City Bus Modernisation Plan (BCBMP).

Mo Bus shuttles were also a big success. It helped fans and tourists to shuttle between the 'Dot' Festival venues and the Kalinga Stadium with ease. A crew of 40 bus captains, 60 bus guides and 30 supervisors were deployed to assist the fans. Over 30,000 people had availed the shuttle services within a fortnight of its induction.



## MO CYCLES FOR THE HEALTH CONSCIOUS

In a bid to reduce traffic congestion and promote environment-friendly transport, Bhubaneswar Smart City Limited (BSCL) and The Capital Region Urban Transport (CRUT) jointly launched the Public Bicycle Sharing project, which also ensured better last mile connectivity.

Three companies -- Hexi Bikes, Yaana and Yulu Bikes -- deployed 1500 'Mo Cycles' at about 400 'Mo Cycle' stations in Bhubaneswar for the ambitious project, which was launched by the Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik ahead of the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018.

The CPS equipped cycles catered to all comers. A low-frame structure meant, even women wearing 'sarees' could ride them while the adjustable seat height made it useful for students and kids. The safety aspect was also taken care of with special lanes painted and demarcated on the city roads by the Bhubaneswar Development Authority (BDA).

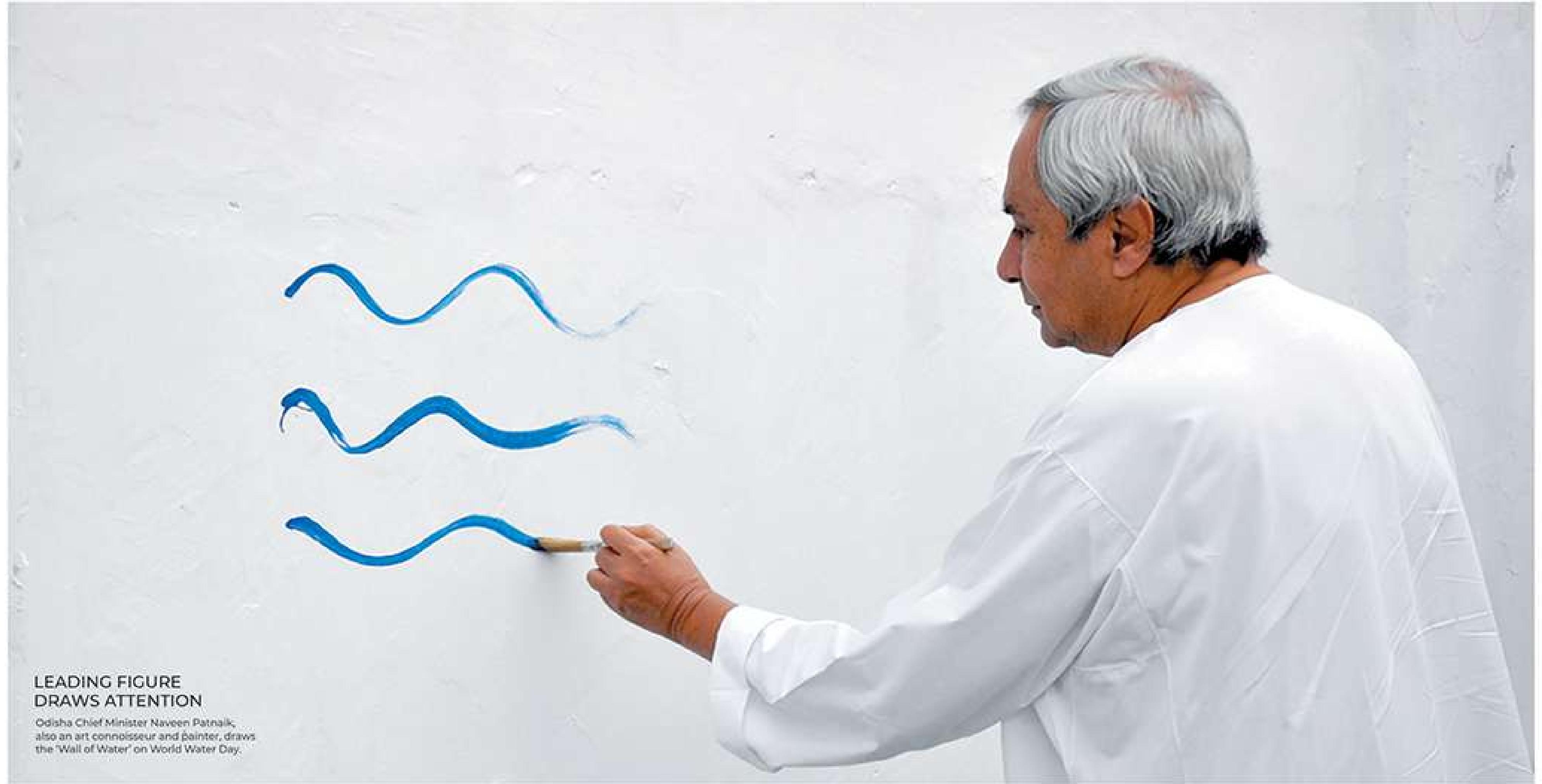
Riders could take the Mo Cycle from any location, and drop off at any destination of their choice. Unlike rentals, Mo Cycles, stored in a closely spaced network of stations, was available to riders for short-term, shared use. This system encourages use of the same cycle by multiple riders everyday.

Another way of riding the Mo Cycle was by downloading the Mo Cycle App and registering with one of the three operators for a nominal monthly subscription. The rider had to locate the nearest Mo Cycle station and unlock the bike through the QR code scan. The highlight of the service was that the first 30 minutes of the ride was free.

The Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation and Bhubaneswar Development Authority highlighted the city's history by having heritage signage across major monuments in the old city. It went well with the traditional ambience in an area, which is replete with temples and structures having the Kalingan style of architecture.



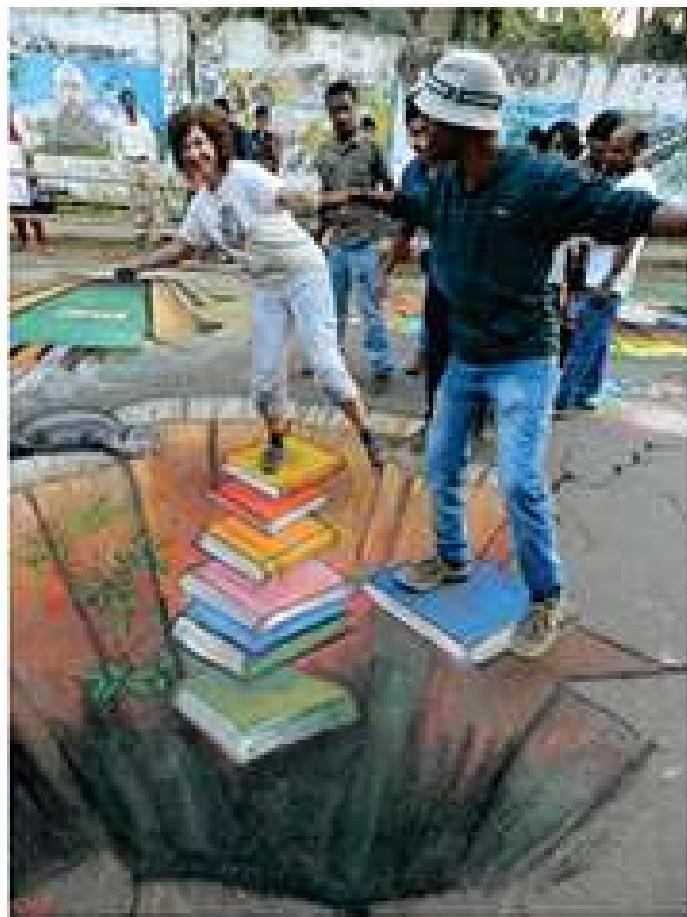
HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS



**LEADING FIGURE  
DRAWS ATTENTION**

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik,  
also an art connoisseur and painter, draws  
the 'Wall of Water' on World Water Day.

# HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS



## WALL OF FAME

The city's love for art and sport blended beautifully in the images of the hockey stars on the boundary walls of the Kalinga Stadium. The big attractions were the drawings done by international and local artists. It came under the Street Art and Murals Project (STAMPI) initiated by the Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC).

World-acclaimed 3D artists Tracy Lee Stum, Anat Ronen, Zee Schindler and Julio Jiménez from the United States were flown in for the colourful venture.

The biggest mural of 110ft x 24ft by Tracy was titled "Over the Rainbow" as it celebrated the city's development into a child-friendly Smart City.

Renowned sand artist Sudarsan Pattnaik also pitched in with his creation and also ensured the International Sand Art Festival at Chandrabhaga Beach in Konark had the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 as its theme.

# HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS



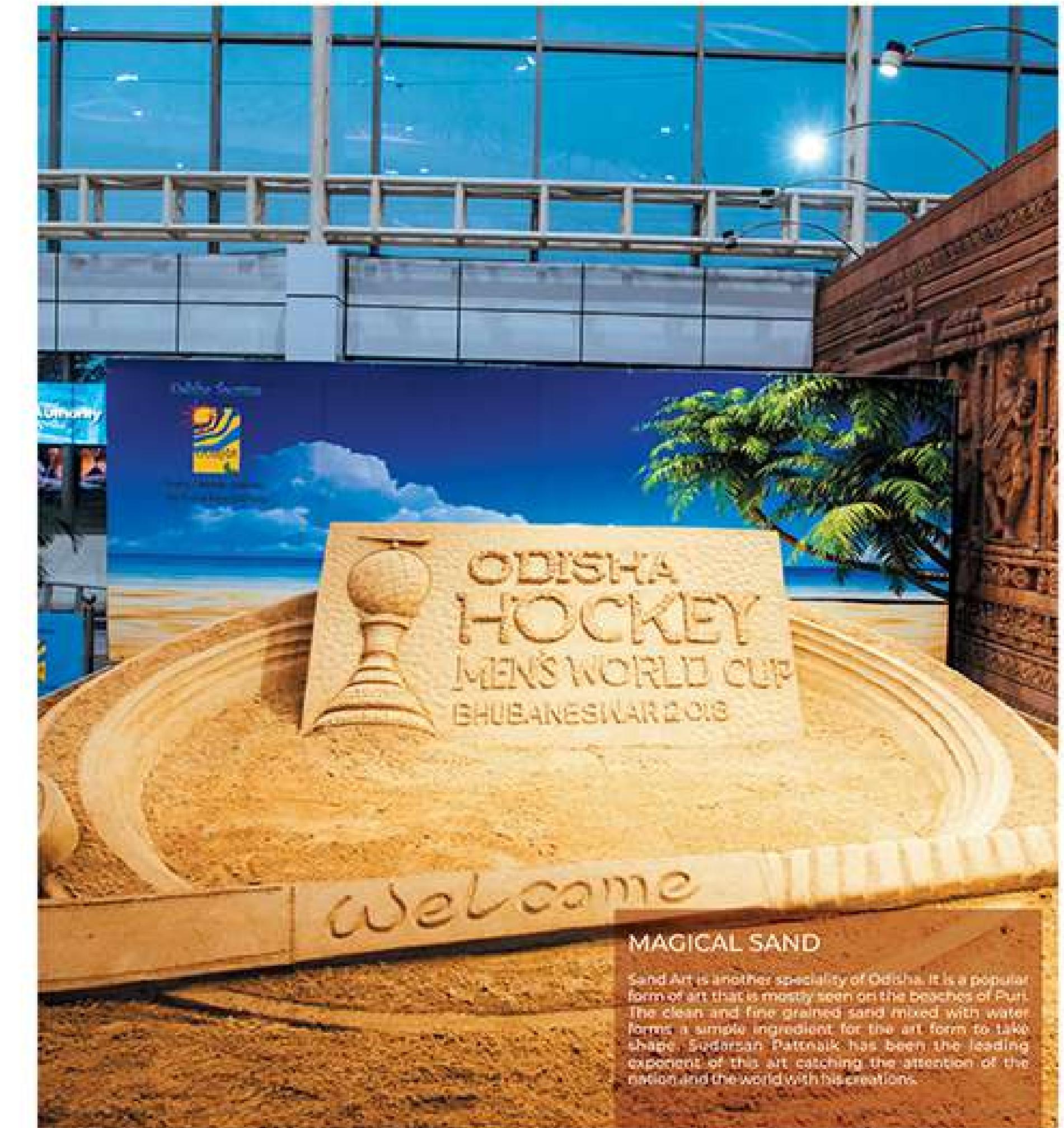
## AN IMAGE THAT TOUCHED A HEART

Samantha Quek, top England woman hockey player and television commentator on her most memorable moment in Bhubaneswar

"When I arrived from the airport, I was quite blown away by the noise of the bikes, cars and people. But one thing that stood out was the colour. The pavements in England and everywhere are so grey and dull but in Bhubaneswar they were colourful. There were lanterns, lights and paintings. It wasn't until the third day when I spotted a famous painting of mine going for the ball. I was in a taxi when I looked at it and I got really overwhelmed. I got a little emotional too because to come halfway across the world and to see a picture of yourself as a painting, that someone sat and painted... I was blown away and it was incredible.

Star Sports were amazing, they tracked down the painter and I was fortunate enough to do a piece with him, I shook his hands and said thank you very much. Apparently it took him only an hour to paint, which I think is incredible. I could never do that. It will take me a few days to do that. I am honoured to say that everyone has been so friendly and welcoming.

Hockey in Odisha has been amazing. I found everyone in Bhubaneswar to be so friendly, so helpful. Even people who potentially don't speak English tried to help you and understand you, they always had time for you and they wanted you to enjoy your stay. They definitely made my visit to India a nice and pleasant one. I certainly felt safe walking around the city. I visited a few temples and it's nice to see a different side, know the brand new hockey stadium and old temples as well."



## MAGICAL SAND

Sand Art is another speciality of Odisha. It is a popular form of art that is mostly seen on the beaches of Puri. The clean and fine grained sand mixed with water forms a simple ingredient for the art form to take shape. Sudarsan Pattnaik has been the leading exponent of this art catching the attention of the nation and the world with his creations.

## REBUILDING KALINGA



### THE KALINGA HOCKEY STADIUM, RENOVATED IN A RECORD TIME, BECAME A HIGHLIGHT OF THE WORLD CUP

It was a race against time to rebuild the Kalinga Hockey Stadium. The Odisha Men's Hockey World League Final Bhubaneswar 2017 concluded in December, which meant they had just a year to complete the task. There were more anxious moments when the monsoon exceeded its normal duration. Bigger the challenge better was the response from the Odisha government, who put all hands on the deck and managed to complete the renovation work by October 2018.

The outcome was a stunning piece of work that took the world by surprise.

The East and West stands had ODISHA written in English as well as the original Odia script to enhance the cultural diversity and to promote Odisha as the nation's sport's capital.

Practice and main pitches were relaid with the new blue turf as per FIH specification. It is also the world's second stadium to have a 2024 Olympic specification turf.

The stadium capacity increased to 15,000 from 7,000. It was done by adding two new galleries in the north and south ends of the stadium with comfortable seating arrangements.

# REBUILDING KALINGA



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## FANCY FACADE

The entire facade of the stadium was put together with a combination of perforated aluminum panels and wood polymer composite panels. The perforations in the panel made the concourse fully ventilated with an interesting play of light and shade passing through them. The use of hockey players as graphics in perforation was another highlight.



## LET THERE BE LIGHT

The upgraded floodlight system brought a different look and feel at night with dynamics of warm and cool light combination playing in the hindlight.

# REBUILDING KALINGA



## ROOMS OF COMFORT

The dressing rooms for the players was another world-class facility at the stadium. The four change rooms were designed by the Competitions Department of Hockey India after thorough research across players' changing rooms of various high-performance International and club sport. Three dedicated goalkeeper equipment rooms were also added keeping in mind the elaborate kitting that a goalkeeper carries. There was also a dedicated change room for the umpires,

# REBUILDING KALINGA

## NATURAL EXTENSIONS

The efforts to build a world-class facility was not just restricted to the stadium but also the area around it. The Kalinga Hockey Stadium already had a green landscape which was capitalised fully by beautifying. Flower beds were created and shrubs and hedge species were added around the existing landscape and it complemented the new stadium structure perfectly.



## REBUILDING KALINGA



### SPRINKLING IT RIGHT

The automatic sprinkler system for watering the ground kept the newly-laid turf in good condition. A well-watered pitch meant the surface was perfect for fast and consistent playing conditions and also soft for the hockey sticks and players' bodies.

## REBUILDING KALINGA

### TEAM EFFORT

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik hosted a lunch for the Indian team at the Kalinga Stadium where the players, coach and support staff of the team expressed their delight of playing at such a top-class facility. The Chief Minister praised the Indian team for their fine display in the tournament, during the interaction which also included the International Hockey Federation (FIH) President Narinder Batra.





## FOCUSED

The Belgians were a determined bunch right from the time they set foot in Bhubaneswar.

## OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA

### Fired Up

A stunning fireworks display held the audience spellbound during the opening ceremony at the Kalinga Athletics Stadium.



## OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA



### OPENING LINES

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik declared the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 open.

### A STARRY AFFAIR

The opening ceremony was a bold statement about the abilities of the Odisha Government of organising a mega-event with aplomb. It was a stunning spectacle of music and dance, which had never been witnessed at a World Cup before. Super stars Shah Rukh Khan, Madhuri Dixit, music maestro A.R. Rahman, ace choreographer Shiamak Davar were the lead actors in the glittering ceremony that ended with a drone show. The celebrations did not end that night as it spilled into the twin city of Cuttack the next day with another round of music and dance.

"It was better than the opening ceremonies of football World Cups," exclaimed Hassan Sardar, hockey legend and Pakistan team manager.



### OLD IS GOLD

Members of India's 1975 World Cup winning team were felicitated during the opening ceremony.

# OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA



## LEADING LIGHTS

All 16 captains of the participating teams in the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 with the Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, superstar Shah Rukh Khan and FIH chief Narinder Batra.

## OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA

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This is the most important tournament of the world. Because it is our sport, it is our hockey and there is no more special game than field hockey. And what sets it apart is that it is an amalgamation of a lot of emotions, thought and lots and lots of action. It involves guile, strength and stamina. It is a sport that involves artistry. Players are not mere players, they are artists.

Shahrukh Khan

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## OPENING EXTRAVAGANZA



### STAR ATTRACTION

Superstar Salman Khan joined the celebrations at the Barabati Stadium in Cuttack, a day after the opening ceremony in Bhubaneswar. The Bollywood heartthrob surprised the audience by greeting them in Odia: "Namoaskar. Mu tumioku bholo pedye. Balyoneg kemitichasichha!"

He later tweeted: "I am grateful to Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik for giving me an opportunity to come in Bhubaneswar and greet everyone on this occasion. I am touched by the warmth and welcome of the people of this State."

# RAHIMA

### ALL GRACE

Bollywood glamour queen Madhuri Dixit swayed the audience with her moves and graceful expressions as "Mother Earth" in a dance ballet titled "Earth Song" that also featured over 800 dancers from Bhubaneswar's Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and other educational institutions.



AN ANTHEM  
FOR THE AGES



GOING VOCAL

Oscar-winning music composer A.R. Rahman regaled with his rendition of the World Cup anthem, "Jai Hind Hind Jai India..."

# AN ANTHEM FOR THE AGES

## SPREADING UNITY THROUGH SPORTS

No stone was left unturned to make the World Cup an event to remember. Everything had to be the best, and so was the official song of the World Cup. Oscar winners AR Rahman and Culzar were roped in to collaborate for the anthem. The lyrics of the track titled *Jai Hind Hind, Jai India* were penned by the veteran lyricist. "It's heart-warming to see the entire nation pledge their heartbeats for hockey. As an extension of pledging our heartbeats, Culzar Sahab and I have created the World Cup song. The meaning is very nationalistic, and it aims to spread unity through sports," said Rahman.

The music video of the song featured superstar Shah Rukh Khan, Nayanthara, rapper Heems, world-renowned percussionist A Shivamani along with singers Neeti Mohan, Shweta Mohan, Jonita Gandhi, Shashaa Tirupati, Harshdeep Kaur and the Indian Hockey team in a celebratory video. "It is a music video that my team and I have created after nearly two decades of having created 'Vande Mataram'. 'Jai India' has given me the privilege of singing in India's honour," Rahman added.



### WORLD CUP ANTHEM LYRICS BY CULZAR SAHAB

Jai Hind India	chalo	Baazi hai baazi Kheli ki baazi
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	kadamon ko sambhalo	Toss uchaallo khel toh
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	De dhyaan tu chal	kholein
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	chaalsain	Poorab hum poorab
Maatthe pe vijay ki	Lakshya saamne jhukna	sooraj undale
bindiya	na	Ohoop bhi hai, chhaamv
	Kar prahaar	bhi hai
Chaahe jeete hum	Tootna na thak tu toh	Ek sakardh ek zameen
Chaahe haare hum	haar maane	Aur ek hai Hindustan
Humein kheibe rehna	Khol pe tu kaabu kore	Aur ek hai Hindustan
hai	Khud mein jaan deai	Aur Jai Jai Jai India
Hum dariya hain	Par tu aise jaise	Maatthe pe vijay ki
Hum rukbe nahi	Palon pe lagye hon	bindiya
Humein behete rehna	panjh	
hai (x2)	Hogi jo kheechcha taani	Jai Hind Hind, Jai India
	Hona na tu bilkul tang	Hai khel ka ek maldan
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	Dang dang sabko korko	chalo
Hai khel ka ek maldan	Thoda sa sambhal ke	Aisa jahaan Hindustan
chalo	Aage tere kol aaye	chalo
Also jahaan Hindustan	Uski aankhon ko tu	Hai khel ek maldan
chalo	pachlo	chalo
Hai khel ek maldan	Laabhi na kat	Jai Hind Hind, Jai India
chalo	Ajab hai yeh rehna	Humara rang hum
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	Ladde hain mil ke (x2)	jaante hain
Humara rang hum	Patti patti saare	Ik goal hai ek nishaan
jaante hain	Phool ko jaise	chalo
Ik goal hai ek nishaan	Kheltte hain khil ke	Ik goal hai ek nishaan
chalo	Jai Hind Hind	chalo
Ik goal hai ek nishaan	Jai Hind Hind	Jai Hind Hind, Jai India
chalo	Jai Hind Hind	Hai khel ka ek maldan
Jai Hind Hind, Jai India	Jai Jai Hindustan	chalo
Hai khel ka ek maldan		Maatthe pe vijay ki
chalo		bindiya
Maatthe pe vijay ki	Maldan mein aao	
bindiya	Pehchaan mein aao	
Aisa jahaan Hindustan		



### CAPTIVATING

AR Rahman and his troupe (left) belted hit numbers "Dil se... Humma, Humma..." and "Maa Tujhe Salam" sending the audience in raptures.

CONNECTING THE DOTS

FEST

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#### FEST OF THE BEST

The Odisha Government's enterprise was not just restricted building a world-class stadium. They wanted every visitor to be mesmerised with the sights and sounds of the city. The Dot Fest connected everybody with an exquisite spread of food, music, art and culture. The International story-telling festival, musical shows, cycle tours, food fest, heritage and nature trail walks were the go-to events.

# CONNECTING THE DOTS



## MUSIC TO THE EARS

The entertainment quotient was also at its highest during the dot FEST. Top Bollywood musicians and singers turned in spectacular performances to the delight of the visitors and local fans. Music composer duo Vishal-Shekhar set the tone with a high-octane performance on the first day. Local star and Odisha native, Sona Mohapatra enthralled the audience on the third day with a two-and-a-half-hour-long act, crooning local melodies and Bollywood numbers. Shreya Ghoshal, Ankit Tiwari, Shaan, Nooran Sisters, Farhan Akhtar, Shankar-Ehsaan-Loy and Krishan Beura were the other artists who captivated the crowd with their feet-tapping music. Odisha's Prince Dance Group and standup comedian Bishwa Kalyan Rath gave the locals a lot to cheer with their acts.



## LAVISH SPREAD FOR ALL COMERS

Another key element of the dot FEST was the international street food festival spread over 24 stalls. It was a dreamland for foodies as the festival featured an array of delicacies including global cuisine of 16 countries and all Indian states. The food experts of Bhubaneswar also dished out their own Odia cuisine including dahibara-aludum, the thunka puris and chena podas.

More than two dozen hotels, restaurants and catering institutes of the city were part of this festival. Every stall had a state, country and Odia theme that offered a variety of choices to visitors.



# A VILLAGE OF FUN AND FROLIC

## POPULAR DESTINATION

The Fan Village set up near the Kalinga Stadium attracted visitors by the thousands every day of the tournament.



## A VILLAGE OF FUN AND FROLIC



### FAN ENGAGEMENT AT ITS BEST

The Fan Village spread over 10,000 square metres was set up to engage the fans in a different manner. Fun activities and games, stalls for food, handicrafts and sportswear made it look like a giant fair. Music shows by popular singers added spice to the atmosphere. A giant screen beamed the matches live and kept the fans updated with the activities on the field.

The teams and players also enjoyed visiting the Fan Village as they could interact with the fans freely.



# UNITED FOR A CAUSE



## A SPECIAL GATHERING

The International Day of Disabilities was observed at the Kalinga Stadium in the presence of kids from AINA, an NGO and children from the project areas of Kendrapara, Ganjam and Jharsuguda districts. Jayanti Behera, gold medallist at the World Para Athletics Junior Championships and Jafar Iqbal, captain of the Indian Blind Cricket team were the guests of honour.



## RIBBON OF AWARENESS

The Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar did not limit itself to a sporting carnival but also played a huge part in raising awareness about a dreaded disease. On the occasion of the World AIDS Day, spectators formed a human red ribbon to spread awareness about the disease. The Odisha State AIDS Control Society (OSACS) integrated the theme at the Kalinga Stadium where more than 2,600 spectators participated in the formation of the human ribbon.

## SUPPORTING STAR



### PEOPLE OF BHUBANESWAR INSPIRE US TO DO WELL

"Whenever we come to Bhubaneswar for matches, we feel very different. We get a lot of support and love from the people here. The crowd here acts as the twelfth player for the Indian team throughout the game. I remember how they supported us during a last four match in the 2017 World Hockey League Final against Argentina. It was raining heavily but despite the rain, they stayed put throughout the match with umbrellas in their hands. We were overwhelmed by their love."

Manpreet Singh, captain, India



16 TEAMS | 1 CUP | 1 DESTINATION  
KALINGA STADIUM



INDIAAAH, INDIAAAH...  
The India matches attracted  
a full house at the Kalinga  
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# MATCH SUMMARY



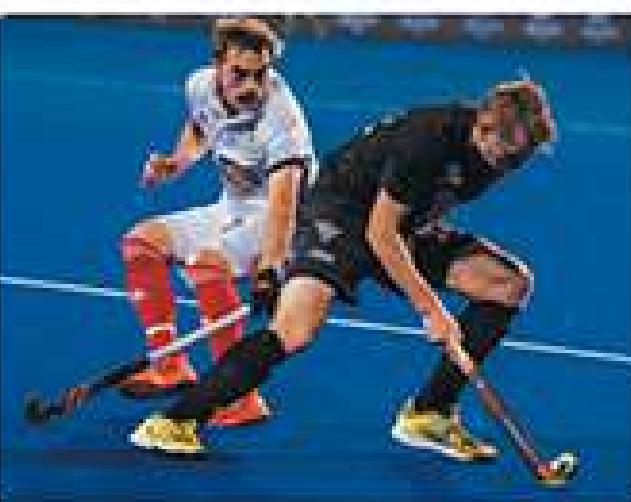
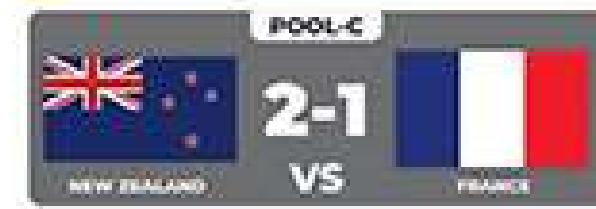
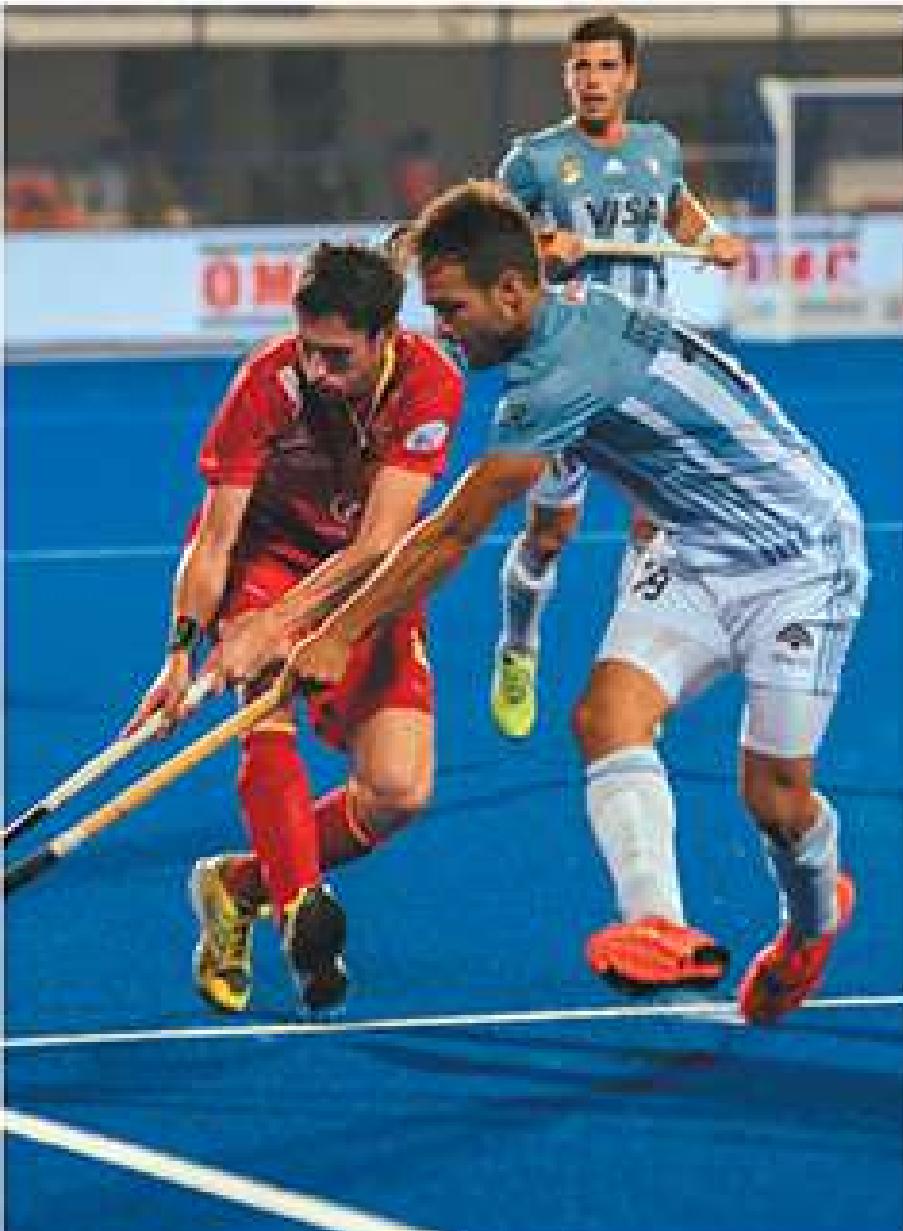
Day-1 (28 November, 2018)

The 14th Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup gets off to a thunderous start in Bhubaneswar with grand opening ceremonies – at the Kalinga Athletics Stadium that saw performances from Oscar-winning music maestro A R Rahman as well as Bollywood celebrities such as Shah Rukh Khan and Madhuri Dixit followed by another celebration the next day in Cuttack at the 40,000 capacity Barabati Stadium. Action then moved to the Kalinga Hockey Stadium where India produced fireworks on the pitch to demolish South Africa 5-0 in Pool C in front of a sell-out crowd of 15,000. Belgium, playing earlier, beat Canada 2-1 in the opener. Indian midfielder Kanugam Chinglensena played his 200th international, South Africa's Jethro Eustice his 100th, on the day.



Day-2 (29 November, 2018)

Argentina beat Spain 4-3 in a see-saw battle while New Zealand kept plucky France at bay with a 2-1 win as action unfolded in pool A. Argentina's feared drag-flicker Gonzalo Peillat scored twice in the match with the first quarter ending with the South Americans 3-2 ahead. South African umpire Peter Wright was presented the Golden Whistle for umpiring 100 international matches from FIH President Dr Narinder Dhruv Batra immediately after the New Zealand versus France match, which he officiated.



# MATCH SUMMARY



## Day-3 (30 November, 2018)

China, the second lowest ranked side at No. 17 caused a sensation in holding England, 10 ranks above, 2-2 in pool B. A late penalty corner goal by Du Talake brought the Chinese a point to send the packed house into raptures. Guo Xiaoping delighted the crowd with a spectacular opening goal, showing fine stick skills before beating goalkeeper George Pinner. Defending champions Australia earlier edged past a gritty Ireland 2-1 in the pool opener.



## Day-4 (01 December, 2018)

The Netherlands scored a masterful 7-0 win over Malaysia in pool D. Jeroen Hertzberger sparked with a hat-trick and Robbert Kemperman celebrated his 200th international with a goal as the Dutch left the Malaysians bereft of ideas in a brilliant performance.

Playing later Germany got the better of a doughty Pakistan 1-0 with Marco Miltkau diving full length to chip over goalkeeper Imran Butt in the third quarter.

Spain suffered a setback with captain Miguel Delas ruled out of the tournament by a shoulder injury sustained in the match against Argentina. Ricardo Sanchez was summoned as replacement.

Before the matches, the Odisha State AIDS Control Society (OSACS) raised awareness in a battle against the disease, distributing T-shirts and caps to more than 2,600 spectators, who positioned themselves in the formation of a human ribbon – the symbol of World AIDS Day – in the west stand at the Kalinga Stadium.



# MATCH SUMMARY



Day-5 (02 December 2018)

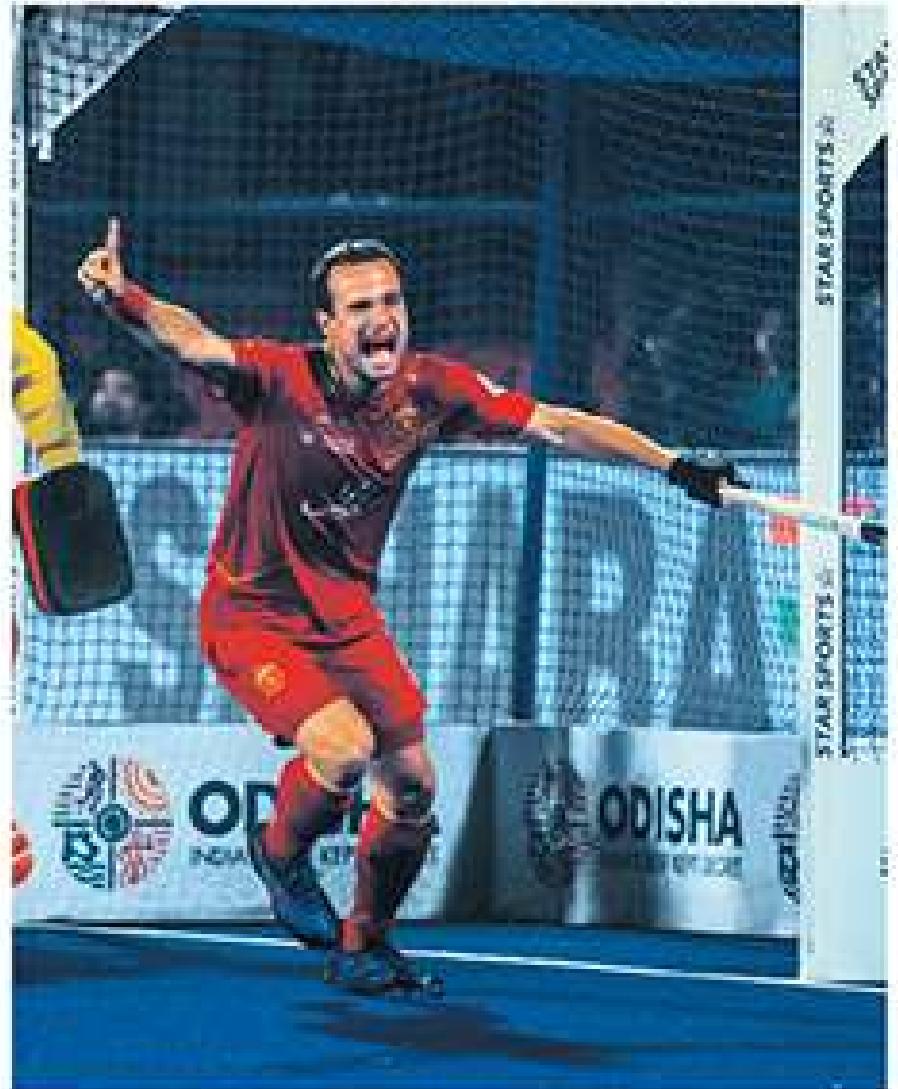
India took the pitch against Belgium to a deafening roar at the jam-packed Kalinga Stadium. The outcome would prove to be crucial in deciding pool C winners and an automatic spot in the quarterfinals. It ended 2-2 with Belgium scoring a late equalizer after working the kicking-back strategy to near perfection. Alexander Hendrickx put Belgium ahead from a penalty corner in the first quarter. Harmanpreet Singh equalized from a penalty stroke in the third quarter before Simranjeet Singh put India ahead in the fourth. Simon Cougnard, however, silenced the crowd with the equalizer four minutes from time. South Africa and Canada drew 1-1 in another match of the pool played earlier.



Day-6 (03 December, 2018)

Argentina blanked New Zealand 3-0 with a controlled performance to move to the top of pool A with two straight wins. Playing later, Spain salvaged a 1-1 draw with France after Quico Cortes pulled off a remarkable save to deny Hugo Cenestet from a penalty stroke. The result ensured Argentina would top the table and make the quarterfinals directly. The second and third spots would be up for grabs with New Zealand, Spain and France all in with a chance to make the cross-overs.

To mark the International Day for Persons with Disabilities (IDPD), the Spanish and French teams were introduced to Guest of Honour Md Jafar Iqbal, a member of the India's World Cup winning blind cricket team, before the match.



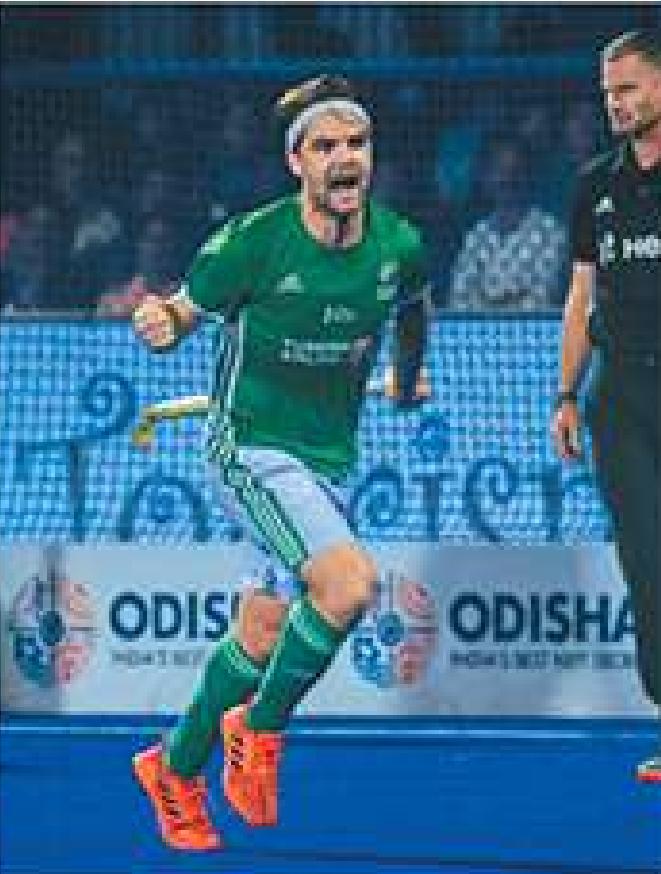
# MATCH SUMMARY



**Day-7 (04 December, 2018)**

Australia needed a burst in the final quarter to put it across England 3-0 in Pool B. Playing later, China pulled off another sensational draw by holding Ireland 1-1. The result confirmed Australia's unassailable position at the top of the pool and with it a direct quarterfinal berth.

Meanwhile, Belgium and Canada were compelled to make changes to their squads following injuries to key players. Emmanuel Stockbroekx, suffering a hamstring injury in the match against India, will play no further part in Belgium's campaign. Antoine Kina steps in. Canada's Brandon Pereira suffers the same fate, which brings Floris van Son into the squad.



**Day-8 (05 December, 2018)**

Germany beat rival European heavyweights Netherlands 4-1 in Pool D, slamming in three goals in the final quarter. Valentin Verga put the Dutch ahead in the 13th minute but Germany equalized on the dot of half-time through Mathias Müller. The Germans punished the Dutch for wasted opportunities in a final quarter flurry when Lukas Windfelder, Marco Miltkau and Christopher Ruhr (penalty stroke) put a damper on coach Max Caldas' 100th match in charge of the Netherlands. The result left Germany needing only a draw against Malaysia in their last pool game to finish pool winners. Malaysia and Pakistan drew 1-1 later in the day.

Off the pitch, the South African team visited the SOS Children's Village at Khandagiri where they interacted with 250 orphans and abandoned children.

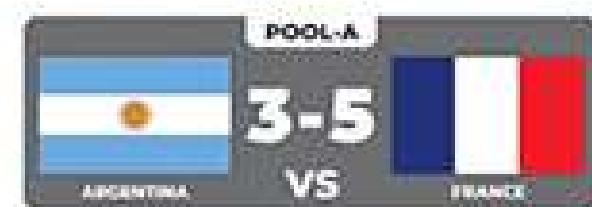
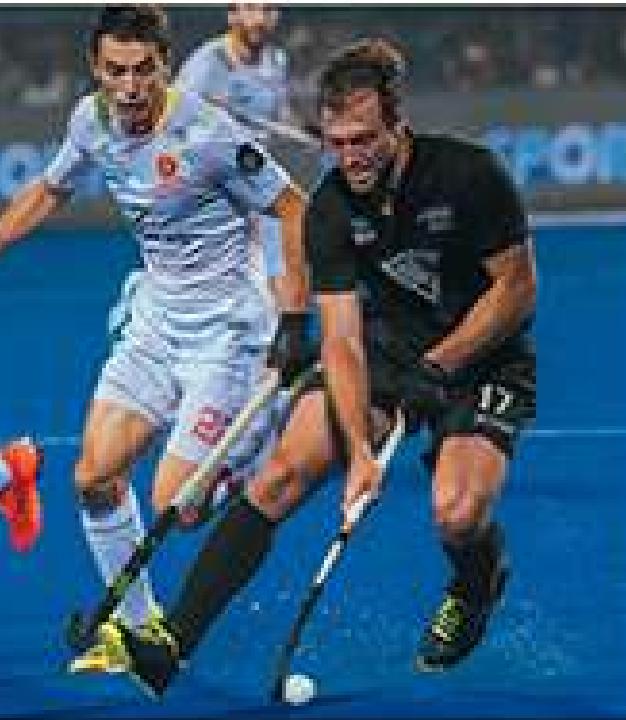


# MATCH SUMMARY



## Day-9 (06 December, 2018)

France, the lowest ranked team at No. 20, pulled off a sensational 5-3 victory over Argentina, ranked No. 2. The French raced to a 3-0 lead and the score was 4-1 before Gonzalo Peillat, the feared drag-flicker, reduced it to 5-4. Francois Goyet, however, scored the fifth for France to seal his team a cross-overs berth with New Zealand. Argentina had already made the quarterfinals and midfielder Agustin Mazzilli could still savour his 200th international despite the shocker. The Kwis earlier drew 2-2 with Spain after trailing 0-2 at the start of the fourth quarter. France's win later in the day spelt meant Spain were the first to exit the tournament. Away from frenetic action on the pitch, the Belgian team and staff visited DAV Public School, Chandrasekharpur. There, they mingled with student, signed autographs, joined Odissi dancers on the floor and played a friendly match.



## Day-10 (07 December, 2018)

Australia, assured a quarterfinal spot, swamped China 11-0 in Pool B. The Chinese still made the crossovers after England beat Ireland 4-2 later to finish second in the pool.

Blake Cavers scored a hat-trick for the Kookaburras who missed equaling their own record for the largest victory - against South Africa at New Delhi 2010.

A draw could have helped both teams but England and Ireland went for broke. England led twice only for Ireland to draw level. It was 3-2 going into the final quarter and England scored from a last-minute penalty corner through Mark Gleghorne who dashed the hopes of his brother Paul, in Irish colours.



# MATCH SUMMARY



**Day-11 (08 December, 2018)**

India, to the roar of the 15,000-strong crowd booked their direct quarterfinal berth in style, beating Canada 5-1 in Pool C. Earlier, Belgium, with an inferior goal difference to that of India, also won by an identical scoreline to eventually settle for second spot in the pool. At 1-1 going into the last quarter it was open but the hosts floored Canada with a four-goal blitz. Lalit Upadhyay scored twice with Harmanpreet Singh, Chinglensena and Amit Rohidas also finding the net.

Pakistan's Muhammad Rizwan Sr, who sustained an injury was replaced by Arslan Qadir. In another development concerning Pakistan, a one-match suspension to Ammid Butt for an incident in the match against Malaysia, was successfully appealed by the team management. However, assistant coach Danish Kaleem received an official reprimand for misconduct relating to tournament accreditation and inappropriate behavior towards security officials.



**Day-12 (09 December, 2018)**

Germany booked a quarterfinal slot by topping Pool D with a 5-3 victory over Malaysia. Netherlands took second spot with a 5-1 thrashing of Pakistan who none-the-less made the crossovers after finishing third on goal difference.

Malaysia fought back from a 0-3 deficit against the twice champions to make it 3-4. The Speedy Tigers forced a penalty corner at the fag end but the effort was charged down. In the ensuing turnover, Timm Herabrecht killed off the match and Malaysia's chances of progressing to the next stage. Victory was particularly sweet for Tobias Hauke who collected his 300th cap.



# MATCH SUMMARY



Day-13 (10 December, 2018)

England set up a meeting with Argentina after beating New Zealand 2-0 in the first crossover. Will Calnan shot England into the lead in the second quarter before Luke Taylor slammed in a penalty corner rebound off the post for the insurance goal in the fourth quarter.

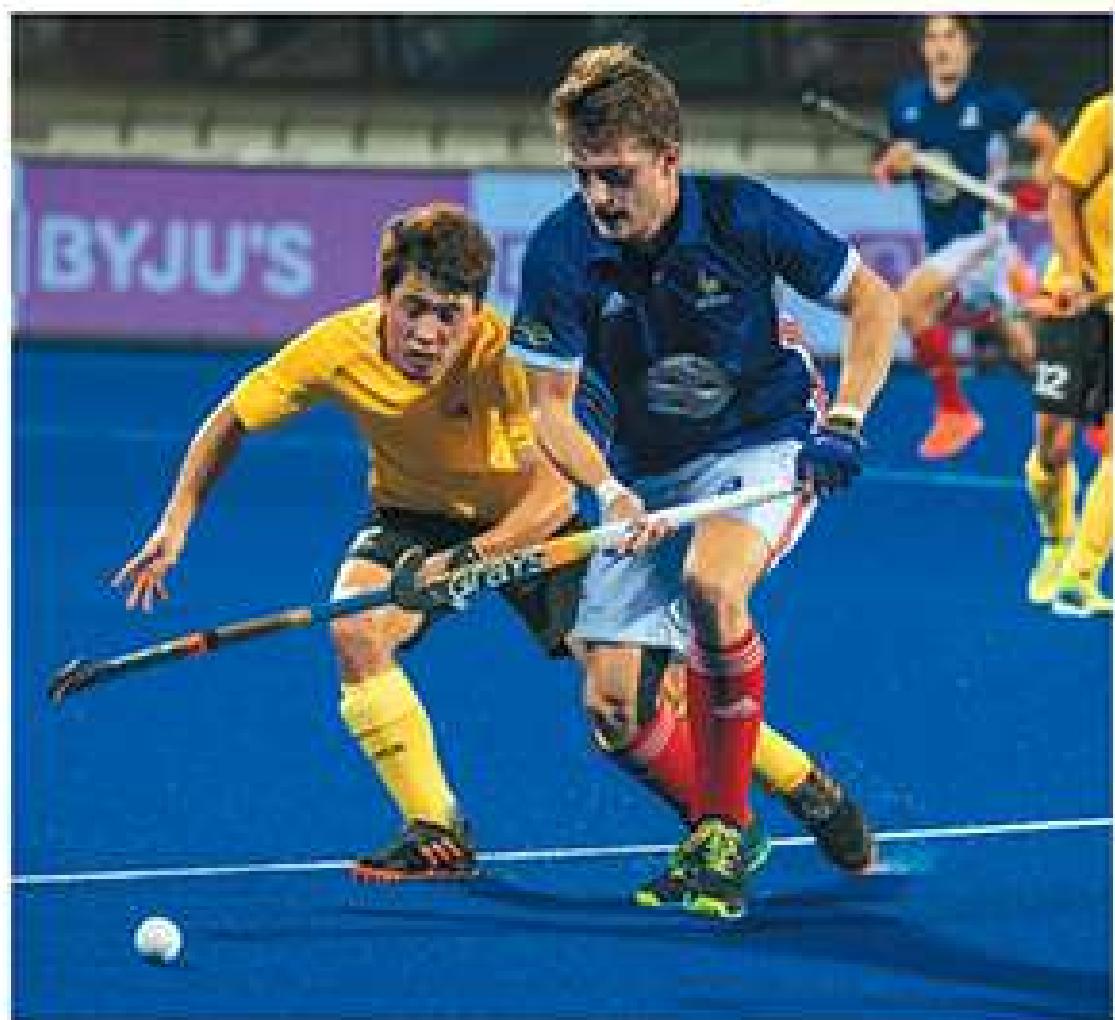
France got the better of China 1-0 to set up a quarterfinal clash with Australia – a match between the lowest and highest ranked team in the competition. France scored in the third quarter when Nicolas Clement guided Maximilien Branicki's cross into the net.



Day-14 (11 December, 2018)

Belgium made short work of Pakistan 5-0 in a cross-over to set up a clash with European rivals Germany in the quarterfinals on Thursday. The Netherlands also won 5-0 over Canada to set a quarterfinal date with hosts India on the same day.

Florent van Aubel played his 200th match for Belgium who scored through Alexander Hendrickx, Thomas Briels, Cedric Charlier, Sébastien Dockier and Tom Boon from the penalty spot. Canada goalkeeper David Carter kept the Dutch goals down – including felling a penalty stroke attempt by Jeroen Hertzberger – and was duly adjudged Odisha player of the match.



# MATCH SUMMARY



Day-15 (12 December, 2018)

England entered the semifinals for the third successive time when they beat Argentina 3-2 in the first quarterfinal. It was a measure of revenge for a 0-2 loss to Los Leones in the bronze medal match at The Hague 2014 and England earned the right to play the winners of Belgium vs Germany.

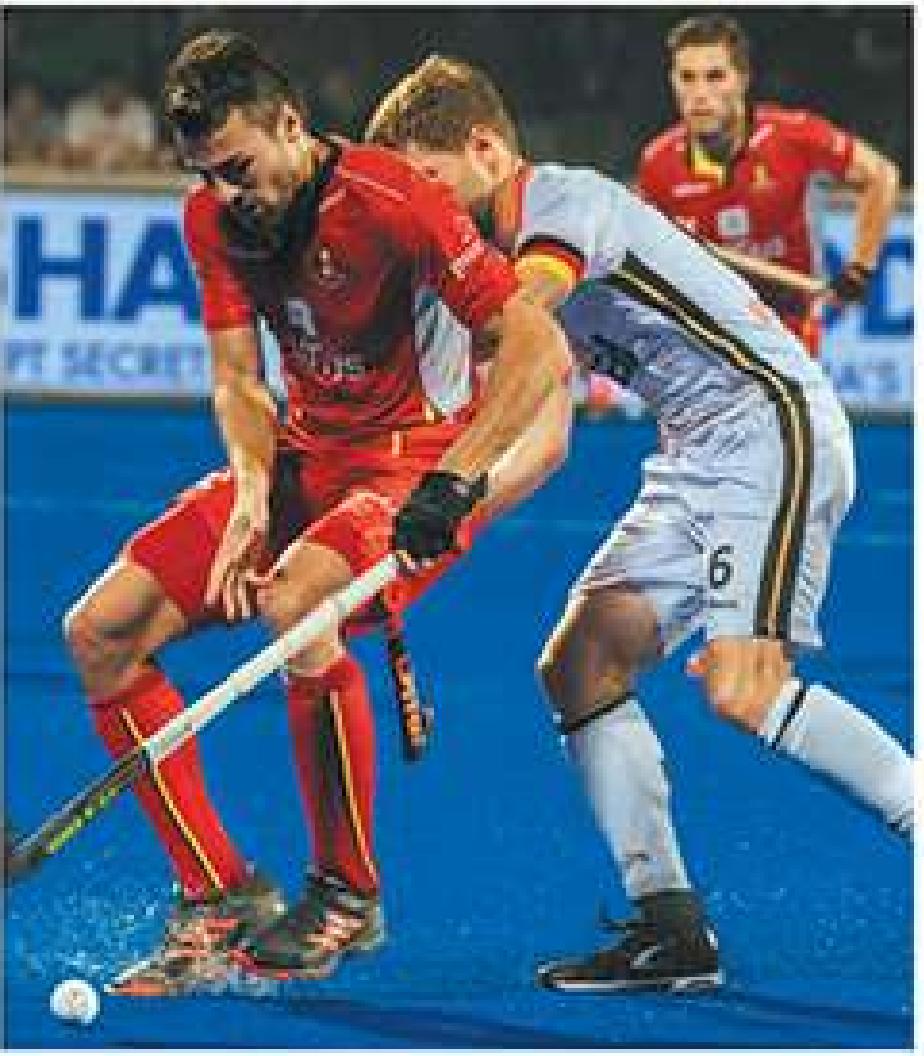
Australia stayed on course to completing a hat-trick of titles when they cruised to a 3-0 win over France who won hearts for their plucky performances in the competition. The Kookaburras now await the winners of the Netherlands-India quarterfinal.



Day-16 (13 December, 2018)

The Netherlands broke Indian hearts when the three-time champions came from behind to beat the hosts 2-1 in a fiercely-fought quarterfinal. The Dutch set a meeting with champions Australia in Saturday's semifinals after Belgium also rallied to put it across Germany 2-1 and book a semifinal spot against England.

Akashdeep Singh put India ahead from a penalty corner rebound but Thierry Brinkman equalized from a quickly taken free hit on the stroke of the first quarter hooter. Netherlands scored the match-winner when Mink van der Weerden scored from a penalty corner 10 minutes from time.



# MATCH SUMMARY



## Day-18 (15 December, 2018)

Belgium powered their way into the final with a 6-0 demolition of England in the first semifinal. The Red Lions set up a final against neighbours Netherlands who beat Australia in a shootout. Simon Cougnard, Belgium's midfielder lost his father on Friday but decided to stay with the team. The Red Lions wore black armbands to sympathize with Cougnard who scored the second goal.

The Netherlands ended Australia's hopes of a hat-trick of titles with a shoot-out win later in the evening. The Dutch could have clinched it in normal time but, after leading 2-0, conceded the equalizer 26 seconds from time when Eddie Ockenden's first-time shot went in off Glenn Schuurman's foot. Dutch goalkeeper carried his heroics into the shootout which his team clinched in sudden-death.

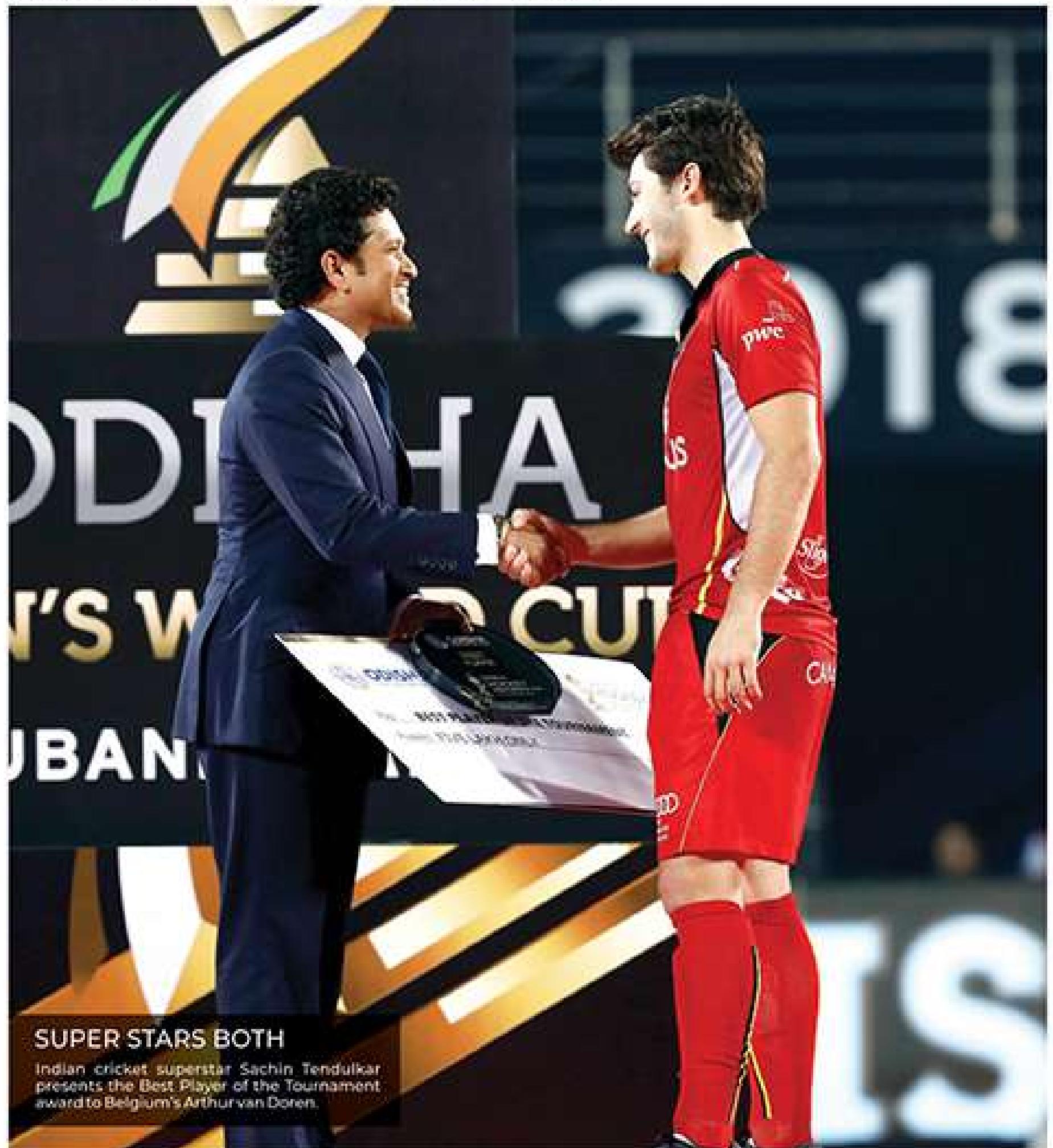


## Day-19 (16 December, 2018)

Belgium make history. The Red Lions became the sixth nation to win the World Cup when they beat three-time champions the Netherlands in a shootout after regulation time in the final ended goalless. There was drama galore when Arthur de Sloover thought he had won it for Belgium but a video referral sent it into sudden-death. Florent van Aubel, coolness personified, scored while Jeroen Hertzberger sent his back-hander over the bar. It meant Belgium, Olympic silver medalists and twice European Championship runners-up, clinched the first-ever World Cup title for any team sport in the country. For Australian umpire Adam Kearns, who earned the Golden Whistle for officiating in his 100th international match, the final was all the more memorable as indeed it was for local fans who were sent into raptures by the sight of cricketing legend Sachin Tendulkar who graced the final.



## AWARDS AND HONOURS



### SUPER STARS BOTH

Indian cricket superstar Sachin Tendulkar presents the Best Player of the Tournament award to Belgium's Arthur van Doren.

### THE LAST LAP

The Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar concluded with the presentation ceremony where the best players and teams were rewarded for their excellence during the tournament. Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, cricketing superstar Sachin Tendulkar, Olympian Dilip Tirkey, Vishal Dev, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Sports and Youth Services Department and FIH chief Narinder Batra were among the dignitaries who presented the awards. A glittering fireworks show brought down the curtains on a hugely successful event.



## FANFARE AT ITS BEST



The fans, who thronged to the Kalinga Stadium for every match, also became one of the highlights of the tournament. It meant every game had an atmosphere which inspired the players to give their very best.



# ROAR OF THE RED LIONS



## PUMP UP THE VOLUME

Belgium's Victor Wegnez (left) celebrates with teammate Gauthier Boccard.

## COACH MCLEOD BELIEVES BELGIUM WERE DESTINED TO WIN THE WORLD CUP

Belgium's coach Shane McLeod told his team that they would win the 14th Odisha Men's World Cup hockey title. "It is written in the stars," said the Kiwi before the final against the Netherlands on a cool Sunday night.

With rain clouds looming, the Red Lions lost sight of the stars but not the glittering trophy by the floodlit blue turf of the packed Kalinga Stadium. McLeod's words came to pass. Belgium won 3-2 in a sudden-death shootout after an hour of intense hockey that produced high technical skills, resolute defensive play but no goals for the first time in a World Cup final. The epic in Bhubaneswar, the first World Cup triumph for any team sport in Belgium, captivated a nation and set the stage for a rousing welcome for the team in Brussels.

If the stars had a say, they were right there on the pitch. A constellation that united as one. Writing its own destiny through hard work, talent, team-work and, not least, resilience. The Red Lions came to Bhubaneswar to put an end to a depressing run of being second best. The 2013 and 2017 European championships, the 2015 Hockey World League and the 2016 Rio Olympics ended with the team clutching the silver medal. Belgium lost two players – John-John Dohmen and Emmanuel Stockbroekx – through illness and injury respectively in the middle of the campaign. Then, before the semifinal against England, defender Simon Gougnard's father passed away.

Lesser teams would have wilted but the Red Lions simply refused to yield when, in a final dramatic twist, the Cup flashed then disappeared before their eyes. Arthur de Sloover, the youngster, thought he had won it with the fifth and final penalty but Pim Blaak effected a smart referral and the contest went into sudden-death. Leaden-footed Florent van Aubel was not and the veteran of 203 internationals transcended the roller-coaster of emotion to fire past Blaak. It set the stage for Vincent Vanasch, the man behind the mask, to write the epilogue to Belgian hockey's finest moment as he forced Jeroen Hertzberger to go wide and blast a backhander over.

Spare a thought for the Dutch. They had their own silver streak to end. Two runners-up finishes each in the World Cup and the Olympics in the new millennium left the three-time champions with a mission of their own. Coach Max Caldas, however, presented a brave face. "I am not disappointed with the shootout defeat," he said. "I am proud of the way my boys played." The Netherlands could well pat themselves on the back after stopping free-wheeling Australia, poised for a hat-trick of titles.

The Dutch came within 26 seconds of winning in regulation time

after leading 2-0 but entered their seventh final via the shootout, owing much to goalkeeper Pim Blaak.

Hapless England, making their third successive semifinal, bore the brunt of an Aussie team smarting from a semifinal defeat. An 8-1 win brought the Australians the bronze and a measure of consolation. The runaway win also meant England had conceded 14 goals in two matches after Belgium had handed coach Danny Kerry's team a 6-0 mauling in the semifinals.

In the event's longest ever tournament – all of 19 days – form was never permanent. Germany topped Pool D in which they humbled the Netherlands 4-1 but missed the semifinals for the second time running, eventually finishing fifth. Belgium conquered the twice champions in a taut match that ended 2-1 after Germany took the lead.

And what of hosts India? In the wilderness for 43 years after Ajit Pal Singh's team lifted the cup in Kuala Lumpur, the boys in blue gave credence to the hope that Bhubaneswar would be the moment. Certainly, the full-throated support of the 15,000 crowd that thronged the venue, gave vent to expectation but the team came to grief against the Netherlands in the quarterfinals. A narrow 1-2 defeat, after taking the lead, ended the dream.

Sixth position, however, was the hosts' best finish in 24 years and Harendra Singh's young team may derive some solace of holding eventual champions Belgium to a 2-2 draw in the pool stage. Olympic champions Argentina crashed to a 2-3 defeat to England in the quarters, never quite recovering from a sensational 3-5 reverse to France, the event's lowest ranked team at No.20.

The South Americans finished seventh, France after a game fight while losing 0-3 to Australia, eighth, New Zealand, debutants China – with two impressive draws against England and Ireland -- and Canada occupied the next three positions. Pakistan, record four-time champions, finished 12th after failing to register a single win. In the doldrums for long, Pakistan's troubled federation found a last-minute sponsor after rumours abounded that the team would fail to make it to the competition.

Spain's rickety campaign brought them 13th spot while gutsy Ireland were hard done by luck and other quirky results to finish 14th. Malaysia who came within minutes of making the cross-overs finished their campaign at 15th spot – gross disappointment after acquiring the coaching services of venerable Dutchman Roelant Oltmans. South Africa, whose players needed to dig into their own savings to make the trip, carried home the wooden spoon.

# CHAMPIONS VIEW



**THOMAS BRIELS,  
CAPTAIN, BELGIUM**

This thomas never doubted belgium would do it

There was a hint of destiny in Belgium's epic World Cup triumph. And no one seems to subscribe to that notion more than the Red Lions captain, the amiable Thomas Briels. The 31-year-old stalwart of 315 internationals led by example in a very cohesive unit that was ready to do and dare while making history – not just winning the World Cup but clinching the first team sport title for Belgium.

Bearing setbacks right through the campaign when the team lost veteran midfielder John-John Dohmen to illness and defender Emmanuel Stockbroekx to injury, Briels oversaw support and commitment to Simon midfielder Gougnard who lost his father just before the semifinal against England.

Briels, a podiatrist when not playing hockey and one of triplets (a brother and sister) who all took to the game at four, is a thorough pro, plying his trade for Oranje-Rood in the Netherlands.

After a tournament of stern tests, Belgium endured an unfavourable video referral decision after they thought they won the cup before celebrating again, this time permanently. It was gold at last for the Red Lions after silver medals at the 2016 Rio Olympics, the 2013 and 2017 Euro championships and the 2015 Hockey World League.

Briels reflected on Belgium's campaign which ended in glory after winning the final against the Netherlands in a sudden-death shootout after regulation time produced no goals.



**CUP OF JOY**

Belgium players celebrate their success at the Kalinga Stadium

## Excerpts from an interview:

After several silver medals how confident were you of winning the World Cup final?

Our coach (Shane McLeod) told us before the final that it is written in the stars that we would win. So we were pretty confident. We worked very hard and I think that sometimes you have to lose a final to win a final.

Your thoughts on the final itself...

The final was really close. You know it could have gone either way. But I had a lot of confidence in (goalkeeper) Vincent Vanasch. I have played with him for many, many years. Even in Holland. And, in a European Club final, he went through what he went through today – we thought we had won it but we lost the referral. Then we won it again. So, I was pretty confident he would not let the team down. I knew it would not affect his concentration. He was focused. I said to the guys that Vinni has got this for us. I have the utmost respect for him. He's a professional and he brought the cup to Belgium.

On the legacy this Belgium 'golden generation' wants to leave behind...

We want to leave our noble values behind. We have a work environment we are really proud of and we are a little family. We strive to leave these values for the new guys who get into the team. We take them into the family and teach them values and then hope that they teach it to the new guys to come in after that. We showed what a team and great family we are. Hockey is a team sport and you win with all 10 players. We showed that in the way we fought for each other.

On the setbacks Belgium suffered with the injuries and Simon Gougnard's father's demise...

I think it's sad if things happen like this in your team. John-John Dohmen and Emmanuel Stockbroekx trained very hard for many years with us. It was mentally hard for them to go home. But they were very supportive. Emmanuel made a 50-minute video on all our families and sent it to us the night before the final. We are lucky with the guys who did an excellent job to replace them. Simon's father's demise was very sad but it brought us a little closer. We wanted to do a good job for him and the memory of his father. You can see what an emotional moment it was for him after the match and we are really happy to help him achieve his dream.

And your impression about the Indian fans...

We got a lot of messages from Indian fans. They've been praying for us. They switched to us after India left the competition. I thank them for their messages and our thoughts are with them.

# UNIQUE GESTURE



## PRESENTING ODISHA'S RICH TRADITION

Special occasions demand special gifts and The Department of Handlooms, Textiles and Handicrafts, Government of Odisha did exactly that by preparing unique souvenirs that showcased the state's culture and rich tradition. These special souvenirs were gifted to players of all the sixteen teams, their support staff, and officials, VIPs, celebrities and other dignitaries who attended the mega-event. Some of the best craftsmen from across the state were roped in to work on the various mementos for the distinguished guests.

Customised ikat handloom stoles designed and woven by weavers from Western Odisha; beautiful hockey inspired products using the Lost Wax Casting technique by the famous silver filigree craftsmen of Cuttack and the

popular lacquer ware boxes from Navrangpur were among the special gift items.

Silver Filigree, locally known as Tarakasi, is the ancient art of crafting jewellery with fine metal wires. It is believed to have originated in Mesopotamia and Egypt and spread to Asia around the 2500 BC.

The process of making a silver filigree product does not involve carving, engraving or moulding a block of metal into jewellery; rather, building the piece bit by bit, by joining hair thin silver wires. Since silver is one of the most malleable and ductile metals, one gram of pure metal can be drawn into a wire more than a kilometre long. The raw material is locally sourced and provides employment to more than 100 families

who are part of the Tarakasi community in Cuttack.



# PROUD OF THE WAY MY BOYS PLAYED



**MAX CALDAS,  
COACH, NETHERLANDS**

Netherlands coach Max Caldas has experienced joy and sadness in World Cup finals. The 45-year-old Argentinean, who represented the country of his birth in the 1996 and 2004 Olympics, moved to the Netherlands when he was 20. He represented top club Klein Zwitserland for four years before an injury cut short his playing career. Caldas, the 2014 FIH Coach of the Year, then took to coaching with remarkable success, guiding the Dutch women's team to the gold medal in the 2012 London Olympics, the 2013 Hockey World League and the World Cup in The Hague four years ago.

In Bhubaneswar, however, a shootout defeat at the hands of Belgium in the final denied him the honour with the men's team. Despite the disappointment, Caldas expressed pride for his team and their performance in the tournament.

## Excerpts from an interview:

What went wrong in the final?

Nothing. It was a good game. A close one, 0-0, and it was anyone's game. It's difficult to find a reason for the loss. It was a game between two really good teams. As for us, we chose to attack from the word go and create chances. We tried to push the envelope. We ran with the ball a bit too much for my liking but players make those choices on the pitch and I support those choices. We will think on how to do better next time around.

Did the failure to convert penalty corners prove a reason for your loss?

We had two. One was not stopped well and in the other PC, the push out was not done towards the right place. But that wasn't the reason for losing. We tried to be ourselves, enjoy the moment, play good hockey and entertain the crowd. But it was really close out there and we came up short in the shootout.

Back-to-back World Cup final defeats for the Netherlands. It must hurt...

Well, I wasn't coach of the team that lost the 2014 final, I was with the women's team which won the World Cup. So, I was very happy then. Today the boys feel very empty since they were so close to a World Cup win. In 2014, the margin was large (3-6 to Australia). It was not the case today. But still it feels weird.

To play matches into the shootout on successive days must have been tough physically and emotionally...

Not at all. It's the World Cup, you know. These were two really good teams. Playing the final was double from the physical and emotional point of view but the boys didn't complain about being tired.

How does it feel inside after having lost the final?

In the end when you lose a game, you congratulate the winners who have won for a reason. You shake their hands and say well done. We want to be good losers and move on. The more time that goes by after the final, the more proud I am of my team. I am happy with the way they have played and evolved in the last two years. Men's hockey is tough, close, skillful and it is not easy to win games. We went past the home team (India), then beat Australia in a shootout in the semifinals. Of course, we are disappointed now as we should be. But am also proud of my players for how they went about their business, taking huge steps to becoming a contender for the title.

What makes the Dutch an attractive team to watch?

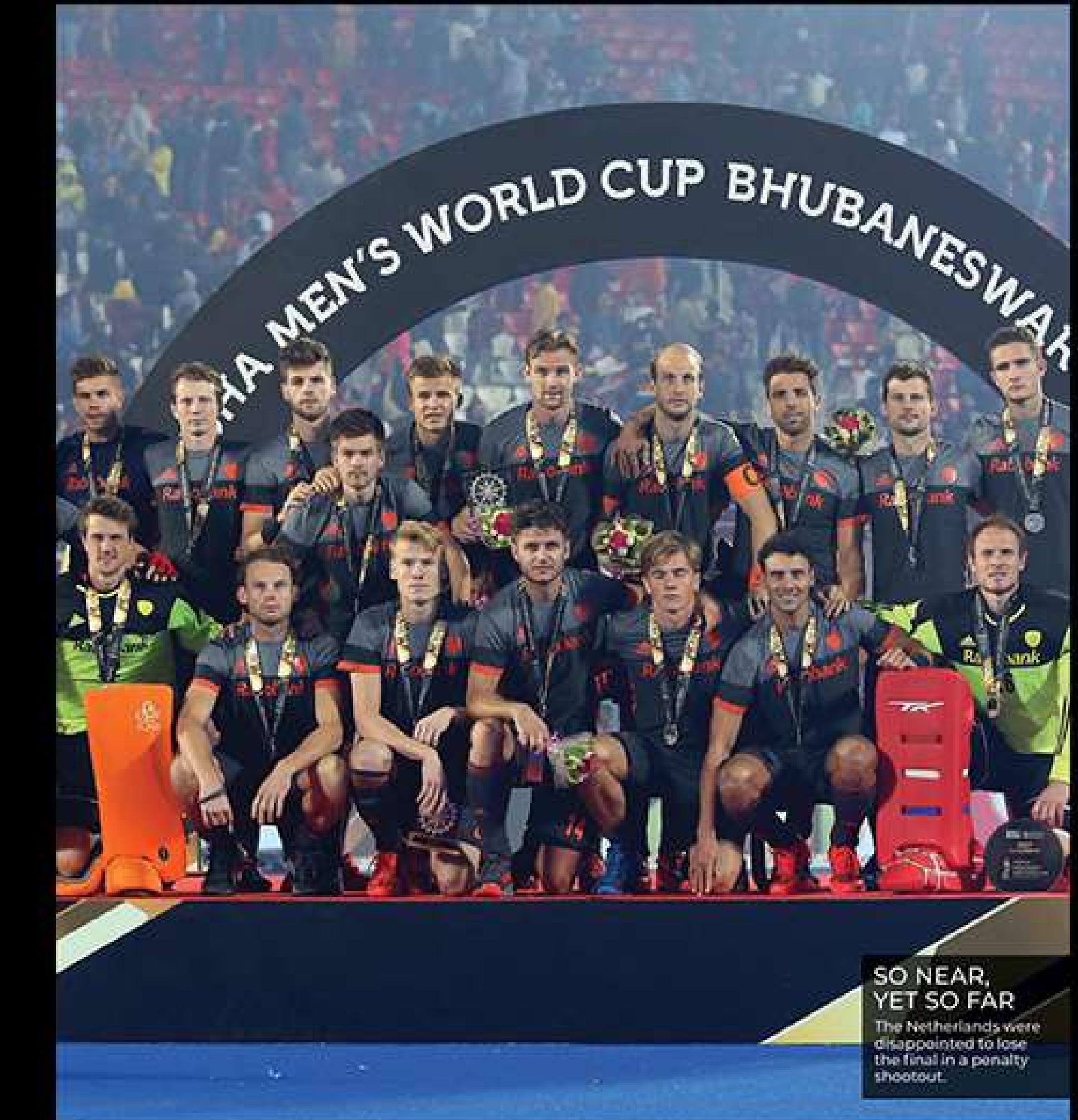
I think we have a team which has an attacking mind-set. The team creates chances from open play and penalty corners. They are a bunch of very skillful players, fast and with a strong understanding of each others' qualities.

How did you cope with the 15,000 crowd when you play India?

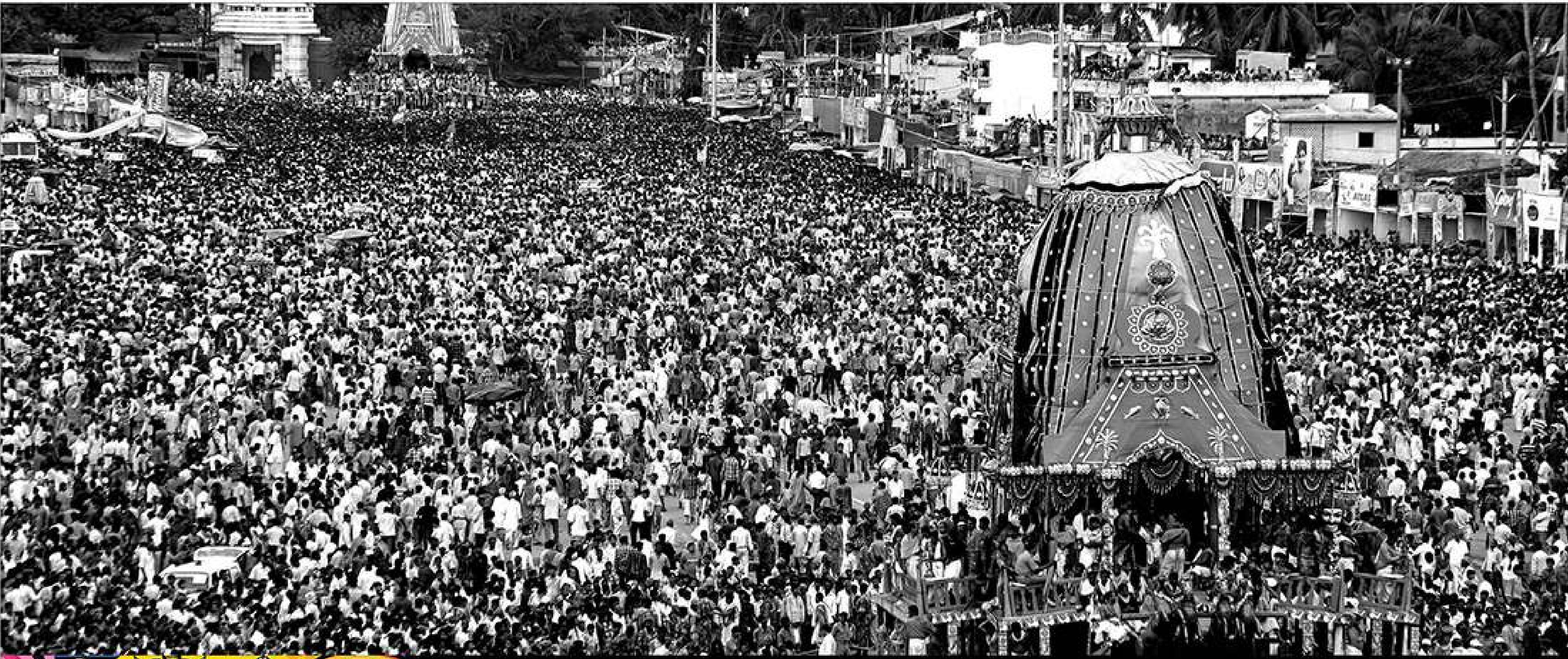
We love the crowd. The team gets excited when with such a crowd in a country that loves hockey. We don't find playing in front of a huge crowd a problem. In India, we played before a large crowd in Raipur (2015 World Hockey League Finals) and here at the 2016 Champions Trophy. We are used to it.

Wouldn't you be upset by poor umpiring decisions against you?

We review games not umpires. We plan to get things right in our games so if the ball rolls the other way and decisions go against us, it won't count for much. Win or lose, we never discuss umpires. Even when a decision late in the game against India in the 2016 Champions Trophy (in Breda, the Netherlands) cost us a place in the final.



**SO NEAR,  
YET SO FAR**  
The Netherlands were disappointed to lose the final in a penalty shootout.



HISTORY AND HERITAGE

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## DOWN THE AGES

The history of the Bhubaneswar may be viewed as two phases: ancient Bhubaneswar and modern Bhubaneswar. While the ancient city has a history that goes back more than 2000 years, the modern city came into existence in 1948.

The first mention of Bhubaneswar in Indian history is in the infamous Kalinga War fought near Dhauli (presently located in south Bhubaneswar) in the 3rd Century BC. Later Emperor Kharavela established his capital in Sisupalgarh, which is on the outskirts of the city. The Hathigumpha inscriptions at the Udayagiri caves and Khandagiri caves by Kharavela give a good account of that period which is estimated to be between the 1st and 2nd century BC. Later innumerable temples built throughout ancient and medieval history in tune with its status as Temple City give a chronicle of the city's history till Indian independence in 1947.

In 1936, Odisha became a separate province in British India with Cuttack as its capital. Notably, Cuttack was Odisha's capital from the 12th century. When India got independence in 1947, Odisha became one of the states of the Indian union. But for some reasons, most visibly Cuttack's vulnerability to floods and space constraints, the capital was changed to Bhubaneswar, which was developed into a modern city.



## JAGANATH TEMPLE, PURI

The Shree Jagannath Temple of Puri is an important Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Jagannath, a form of Lord Maha Vishnu, located on the eastern coast of India, at Puri in the state of Odisha. The temple is an important pilgrimage destination. The present temple was rebuilt from the 10th century.

The Puri temple is famous for its annual Ratha yatra, or chariot festival, in which the three principal deities are pulled on huge and elaborately decorated temple cars. These gave their name to the English term juggernaut. Unlike the stone and metal icons found in most Hindu temples, the image of Jagannath is made of wood and is ceremoniously replaced every twelve or nineteen years by an exact replica.



## KONARK TEMPLE SUN TEMPLE

Dedicated to the Hindu god Surya, what remains of the temple complex is a 100-foot (30 m) high chariot with immense wheels and horses, all carved from stone. Once over 200 feet (61 m) high, much of the temple is now in ruins, in particular the large shikara tower over the sanctuary; at one time this rose much higher than the mandapa that remains. The structures and elements that have survived are famed for their intricate artwork, iconography, and themes, including erotic kama and mithuna scenes. Also called the Surya Devalaya, it is a classic illustration of the Odisha style of architecture or Kalinga architecture.



## SHANTI STUPA-DHAULIGIRI

Shanti Stupa of Dhauli is also known as the Peace Pagoda. Dhauli lies at a distance of 7 km from Bhubaneswar. As one travels from Bhubaneswar to Puri, one finds Shanti Stupa. The word 'shanti' in the name itself suggests peace. Since King Ashoka adopted the path of peace and tranquility and resorted to Buddhism, he laid the foundation of Dhauli Shanti Stupa at a place, which is known for the end of Kalinga War. Here, one finds the edict of Lord Buddha, which is visited by numerous Buddhist devotees.

The construction of Shanti Stupa of Dhauli was assisted by Fuji Guruji and therefore, the place became the place of devotion and worship for various people belonging to different generations. One can also spot a number of stupas, chaityas as well as pillars whose foundation was laid by King Ashoka. There also exist a number of edicts that display King Ashoka's intention to promote joy, peace and contentment all through the world. And over the edicts, you come across a rock cut elephant that is considered to be the earliest Buddhist sculpture in Odisha.



## CHILKA LAKE

Chilka lake is a brackish water lagoon, spread over the Puri, Khurda and Ganjam districts at the mouth of the Daya River, flowing into the Bay of Bengal, covering an area of over 1,100 km². It is the largest coastal lagoon in India. It is the largest wintering ground for migratory birds on the Indian sub-continent. The lake is home to a number of threatened species of plants and animals.



HANDLOOMS &  
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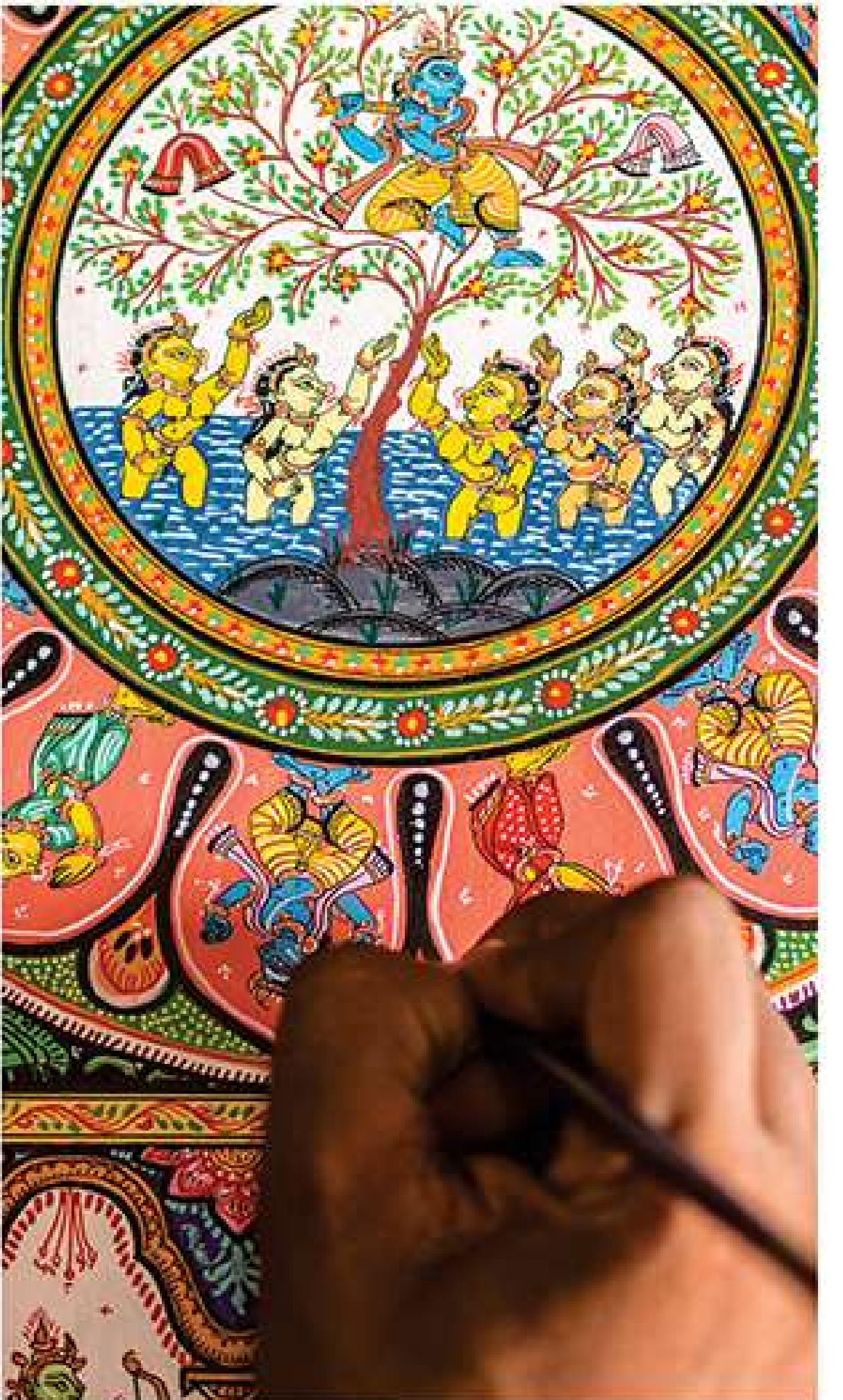
# HANDLOOMS & HANDICRAFTS OF ODISHA

## AN ANCIENT TRADITION

Having an ancient tradition of making splendid pieces of art by hands Odisha artists have long been presenting their awe inspiring masterpieces to the world. There are a lot of handicrafts that have been running as the life force in the cultural land of Odisha. Some of which include - Patta Chitra, Sand Art, Metal Work, Silver Filigree, Stone Carving and making Puppets and Masks etc.

Patta chitras are miniature paintings, used as wall hangings with religious themes as their subject matter. Legends from the lives of Lord Krishna are mainly depicted on this specially treated cloth known as Patta.

Developed over the years, this art form has helped a distinct school of painting to evolve. Having its origin in the Sanskrit language, the word Patta Chitra literally means a painted piece of cloth. This ritualistic art observes a fine blend of sophisticated art and folk element in the form of rich colors. The skilled hands of the talented artisans present blood red, red ochre, lamp black, yellow, white and indigo in a unique way as they pretend to be offsetting each other.



## DANCE IS A FORM OF WORSHIP

Odisha has a rich cultural heritage of music and dance. One of the unique features of the dances of Odisha is that they are regarded as a form of worship, a celebration of life as a gift from God.

The Odissi dance is the most popular. A classical dance form, it is very energetic and extremely graceful. The performance of this dance form requires delicate movements, figurative stances and

expressive facial gestures. The most important pose of the Odissi dance is the Chauka pose, which has been based on the balanced figure of Lord Jagannath. The state also boasts of a number of folk dances that seem to be a favorite amongst the tourists. The most popular amongst these is the Chhau Dance, a war dance that is based on the martial arts of the state and is performed only by men.





## SMALL WONDER

Nishtha Kaur, all of eight years, was the child ambassador and a state guest during the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018. The Grade III student, based in Melbourne, marked out Akashdeep Singh, Mandeep Singh and Manpreet Singh as her favourite hockey players. Odisha Sports and Youth Services Minister Chandru Sarathi Behera and sports secretary Vishal Dev had met Nishtha during the 2018 Commonwealth Games at the Gold Coast Hockey Centre in Australia where she was rooting for the Indian team. Appreciating her passion for hockey, the Odisha minister invited the young girl to Bhubaneswar as child ambassador.

## AIKMAN AND A PASSAGE THROUGH INDIA

Away from the cauldron of international hockey, Siegfried Aikman finds peace by visiting his roots. And the Dutchman, coach of Japan, has roots traversing half-way around the world.

From the Netherlands to Suriname in the Caribbean, Aikman's lineage can be further traced to Lucknow and Bihar.

The 50-year-old's great grandfather left Kolkata to join the ranks of indentured workers from India who made the long journey to Suriname but the family fondly held on to tradition and culture of the homeland.

"I performed pooja when I got married, when my kids were born and when I moved to a new home," Aikman said.

"And I have a Kabir Panthi Sahib visit home in Holland all the way from India to do a pooja and we have prasad."

Not surprisingly, Aikman, in Bhubaneswar to witness the Odisha World Cup, took every opportunity to visit temples in around the city.

It dawns on you that for Aikman there's much more to life than hockey, though it would seem his profound philosophies have had a positive impact on his tutelage. Be it teams back home in the Netherlands or with the Japanese national team with which he has worked wonders.

He has also been captivated by Samurai culture and its very ethos seemed to have spurred Japan to an unbelievable Asian Games gold at Jakarta (2018) when all seemed lost in the final against Malaysia.

The FIH coach educator and Netherlands High Performance Manager and as a people's man -- he is also an executive management coach -- Aikman knows the value of the personal touch. Perhaps there lies the secret of success.

## DR RICHARD CHARLESWORTH

Dr Richard Charlesworth travelled to the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics as arguably the best hockey player in the world. He was also a noted cricketer for the Western Australia state side. Outside sport, he was a qualified medical practitioner and astoundingly, a Member of Parliament for the Labour Party in the Australian Federal Government!

Not surprisingly, the 66-year-old took more than a passing interest on the state elections during the time he spent at the Kalinga stadium as a TV expert commentator for the Odisha World Cup even as he readied himself for the studio. It's clear that Charlesworth's attentiveness made for his multi-faceted persona. As also his value for time which is why he put hockey before cricket which he played as an efficient opening batsman.

"It got to a stage that I couldn't do both games. Cricket takes a lot of your time and hockey is much more manageable in that sense," said Charlesworth who scored 95 for Western Australia against the touring Indians in 1977-78 at the WACA in Perth, his home city. Charlesworth, player of the tournament at the 1986 World Cup in London which Australia won for the first of three titles, moved from player par excellence to a coach with a golden touch.

He guided the Hockeyroos, Australia's women's team, to two World Cup titles (1994 and 1998), as many Olympic gold medal wins (1996 and 2000) before coaching the Kookaburras, the Australian men, to a World Cup title in 2014. Charlesworth has served in advisory roles for New Zealand Cricket, Aussie Rules Football and the Indian men's and women's hockey teams. He also mentored coaches the world over and wrote three books on coaching.

As a 16-year-old he watched Australia beat India in the 1968 Mexico Olympic semifinals on TV. It inspired him to settle for no less than donning the Australian green-and-gold one day. He did so 227 times that spanned four World Cups and as many Olympic Games during which he scored 85 goals. Charlesworth had already been influenced by the great Anglo-Indians players who migrated to Australia soon after Indian independence and had acquired their sublime skills.

His fondness for Indian hockey is unmistakable. Charlesworth exuded satisfaction on seeing India reaching the quarterfinals along with an excellently run World Cup but he was also sensitive to what it meant to the people of Odisha. "There is a hockey tradition here and many great players have come from this area," he said. "I think it underlines that it is an important activity in Odisha and in the tribal areas in general so that's all positive."

A clean bill of health from the doc. And more.

## HOW BELGIUM TOOK SETBACKS AND SORROWS IN THEIR STRIDE

Belgium celebrated crossing a milestone -- their first-ever entry into the World Cup semifinals with a win over twice champions Germany.

Then, a moment of sadness. Star midfielder Simon Gougnard lost his ailing father. The news came in a little before the semifinal against England. Gougnard, however, chose to not fly back home.

The Red Lions rallied to support their bereaved teammate. As captain Thomas Briels was to later reveal: "It helped the team become even closer. We wanted to do well for Simon and the memory of his father."

It was another setback for Belgium. Earlier in the tournament, John-John Dohmen a veteran of 368 internationals had to leave the campaign because of illness. Then, Emmanuel Stockbroekx, a key midfielder, sustained a hamstring injury.

But not for nothing have Belgium achieved a reputation of becoming the sensations of the game in the last decades.

The replacements Augustin Meurmans and Antoine Kina and fitted in seamlessly and even as the poignancy of Gougnard's loss gripped the team, there was no mistaking the resolve of the Red Lions.

Gougnard scored in the semifinals, putting Belgium 2-0 ahead in a 6-0 rout of England. A result which brought the Red Lions a place in the final and a chance to go one better than the silver medal at the Rio Olympics.

That they did with a shootout win over the Netherlands after a 0-0 draw. The triumph, Belgium's first-ever in any team sport, took on a whole new dimension in the wake of the setbacks the team so courageously recovered from. Not least Gougnard's moment of sorrow when the team, were on the threshold of making history.

Gougnard's story is so similar to another World Cup winning team. Tahir Zamani, Pakistan's key forward, lost his father before his team's opening match at the 1994 Sydney World Cup. He chose to stay with the team, which coincidentally beat the Netherlands in the final, also in the tiebreaker.

# MESSAGES



**Sachin Tendulkar**  
Cricket Legend

"Whatever I have experienced in Bhubaneswar is truly magnificent and this wouldn't have been possible without the support of state government and Hockey India. The atmosphere is incredible and I also want to thank all players for making this what it is."



**Anil Kumble**  
Cricket Legend

To have a World Cup like this in Bhubaneswar is massive. The only time I played in a World Cup at home was in 1996 and that was massive. I'm sure the kids who are watching the World Cup in Kalinga Stadium will be inspired to take up hockey. It is not just about the event but what it does to the state and the country. It's really good to see the vision of the Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik in promoting sports in Odisha.



**Leander Paes**  
Indian Lawn Tennis Legend

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.



**Imtiaz Ali**  
Film Maker

It's such a pulsating atmosphere and exciting to see hockey being watched and enjoyed like this. A lot has changed in the city. It was lovely to see cycling tracks all around the city. I was most amazed to see flower pots on most of the lamp posts which I have previously only seen in Europe. You can see the effort the Government of Odisha has taken to make it a world-class city for hosting a world-class tournament. This makes me very proud as an Indian. I am very impressed by the fact that every seat in the stadium is taken even when India is not playing. It just shows that the game of hockey is really throbbing in the hearts of the people of Bhubaneswar. Making a film on hockey is not the only way to promote the sport, there are many other ways which I think the Government of Odisha is doing exceptionally well.



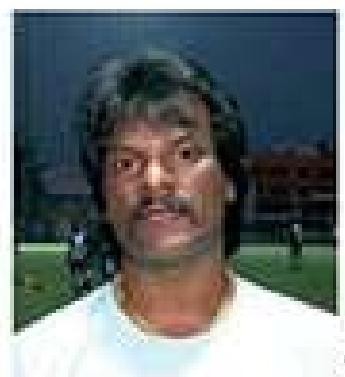
**Sushil Kumar**  
Wrestling Legend

I would like to congratulate the Odisha Government for hosting such a spectacular event. Such turfs I have only seen either in Australia or England. I am amazed to see such a turnout for the game of hockey. The stadium is packed for all the matches and want to thank the fans for supporting the athletes.



**Dilip Tirkey**  
Olympian and Chairman,  
Odisha Tourism Development  
Corporation

There were times when we could never think about organising such an event in Odisha. As a hockey player, I feel extremely proud. I would like to thank our chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik and our Sports Department. They are prioritising sports. After the Kalinga Stadium was made, a lot of international events are being continuously organised here. So definitely, these events are creating a good platform for the youth of Odisha. They have never seen such big events. These events are contributing to hockey's craze. I am very happy that people are calling Bhubaneswar the capital of hockey, the capital of sports. This makes me really glad.



**Dhanraj Pillay**  
World Cupper and Olympian

Odisha government has been doing a lot to promote hockey in recent years. The Kalinga Stadium is the best in the world. Every player is bound to be excited and happy with the facilities. The new turf, changing rooms, stands and lounges are all part of an excellent infrastructure for the sport. I must thank the Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaikji, the Sports Department and my good friend Dilip Tirkey, who have been instrumental in the creating a fantastic atmosphere for hockey. I can definitely say that there will be lot players from Odisha who will be part of the national team.



## ORGANISATIONS THAT MADE IT POSSIBLE

Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha

Department of Sports & Youth Services, Government of Odisha

Department of Tourism, Government of Odisha

Police Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar-Cuttack

Bhubaneswar Development Authority (BDA)

Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (OIDCO)

Works Department, Government of Odisha

Bhubaneswar Airport Authority

Odisha Mining Corporation (OMC)

Hockey India

International Hockey Federation (FIH)

BSNL

Star Sports

Ticket Genie

DOB Mudra

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