

India 0 New Zealand 2

70' The match ends with a NZL win. IND showed an improved performance over their disappointing showing at last year's World Cup, with occasional flashes of brilliance even, but NZL were the more stubborn side today, cleverly using the few opportunities presented to them.

**** Goal: Dave KOSOOF (FG) ****

69' Great goal for NZL! BURROWS goes down the right to make it into the circle, then lays the ball off to the left for KOSOOF waiting near the post. KOSOOF has an easy job pushing the ball into the open goal for the 2-0 lead.

68' IND attack down the right side of the field with Bharat CHIKKARA trying for a hit into the circle but the ball is eventually lost over the side line.

67' IND is having some difficulty now to keep up with the newly energized Kiwis, NZL pushing hard to exploit the cracks that are starting to show in the IND defense.

65' BURROWS again with a great reverse stick shot from close range but D'SOUZA stands firm.

63' Motivated by their first goal, NZL now push hard and immediately have another opportunity through BURROWS, but another good save from D'SOUZA denies him.

**** Goal: Hayden SHAW (PC) ****

62' A missile of a flick from SHAW, perfectly fitted into the top right corner of the goal leaves the IND defense without a chance to react, and NZL have taken the lead.

61' Another PC for NZL, the 4th in quick succession after the Kiwis waited almost 60 minutes for their first.

59' Another flick from SHAW, saved well again. SHAW has gone down, apparently after a little shoving from Sandeep SINGH. Players run together but the two umpires quickly control the situation and get play back underway again.

59' NZL's first attempt is called back for IND having moved too fast.

58' H. SHAW's powerful flick is saved by the IND GK, a hit on the rebound is deflected wide. Another PC for NZL.

58' A long ball into the circle from COLLIER hits an IND foot. PC for NZL.

57' It is still raining heavily.

55' Umpire NEL warns Sardar SINGH but no card is given.

55' KOSOOF has the ball in the circle but cannot get a shot on goal. HARI goes for a rebound but an IND defender is quicker and clears out to the far left.

53' Sandeep SINGH flicks to the top right corner of the goal but PONTIFEX is there for another good save.

52' IND win a short corner.

51' STEPHENSON gets the ball in the circle but cannot control it to spin and get a shot on goal and loses it to the IND defense.

49' The rain is back with sheets of water moving across the pitch.

48' Free hit for NZL at the circle, B. SHAW for ARCHIBALD but ARCHIBALD's ball across is dangerously high.

44' A high aerial ball from H. SHAW across most of the field, is missed by Sandeep SINGH and finds BURROWS in the circle. Pressured by two IND defenders however, he cannot do anything with it and loses the ball.

- 42'** Great pass out to the far right from HENWOOD in midfield but H. SHAW is not fast enough to reach it.
- 40'** Long corner for IND but the ball is stopped by B. SHAW and hits an IND foot.
- 39'** Good attack from IND down the right, hard hit across from GURPAZ but there is no taker.
- 38'** Free hit for NZL near the circle, the entire IND team crowded in the circle. SHAW's hit is stopped by the first man and IND are on the attack but immediately falter again. Play continues to move up and down the field.
- 37'** NZL get into the IND circle but GURPAZ recovers for IND.
- 36'** IND have the ball and attack down the right but the ball ends up over the back line.
- 36'** The rain has stopped for the moment and the sun has broken through.
- 35'** An open match suffering from the bad weather with intermittent rain that goes from a drizzle to torrential rain and back within a minute. The two teams are equal so far, there is no favorite at this point.
- 34'** Free hit for IND near the circle on the right. Sandeep SINGH is there to take it, but the NZL defense stands firm.
- 33'** IND attack down the left again. Free hit into the circle for Roshan MINZ but he cannot take it and it goes out the back.
- 32'** Timestop for COLLIER down in midfield after clashing with an IND player. COLLIER continues, play resumes.
- 30'** Free hit for NZL near the circle, powerful hit from H. SHAW, trying to find a foot but to no avail. Free hit for IND.
- 29'** IND attack down the left but lose the ball near the back line.
- 28'** NZL now on the attack, pressuring IND and keeping play confined to the IND half.
- 13'** Free hit near the circle for IND, the ball is deflected up just in front of PONTIFEX, excellent reflex save by NZL GK.
- 12'** Sandeep SINGH flick to the left side of the goal, good save from PONTIFEX, deflecting the ball just wide.
- 11'** PC for IND after a hard hit into the circle hits H. SHAW's foot.
- 8'** First good attempt for Blacksticks, KOSOOF gets the ball in front of the goal, tries to find a foot but the IND defense recovers.
- 2'** IND starts off more aggressively but cannot get dangerous.