

## India 4 England 3

70' The match ends and IND have won the bronze medal. ENG looked like they were going to be demolished in the first half, but made an astonishing comeback late in the game, coming close to levelling the score.

70' ENG try to recover the ball but run out of time.

70' Free hit for IND with 30 seconds to go.

69' Now ENG are high up in the IND half of the field and try to find the opportunity but the IND defense holds firm.

68' ENG are pushing forward with all they have but IND are clinging to their lead. IND get into the ENG circle but cannot get a shot.

66' Roshan MINZ has a shot on goal for IND but Ben MARSDEN blocks the shot and clears.

63' What a comeback from ENG! After being four goals down, they are now only one goal behind with little more than 6 minutes to go.

**\*\* Goal: Simon MANTELL (PC) \*\***

63' Complicated variation from ENG on this PC with 5 passes until Simon MANTELL tips it in.

62' PC for ENG.

59' The ball crashes into the ENG goal and the IND supporters cheer but the whistle had already gone, no goal on this occasion.

**\*\* Goal: James TINDALL (PC) \*\***

55' Richard MANTELL goes for a low flick that is saved well by Baljit SINGH. The ball goes far out to SINGH's right where James TINDALL is alone at the edge of the circle. TINDALL sends the ball crashing into the back board to reduce IND's lead to two goals.

54' Finally, the opening is there, PC for ENG.

53' ENG play around the back, right to left and back to right but they cannot find an opening.

50' The pace of the game is more subdued now, ENG working hard but not getting through the ranks of their IND opponents who seem in no hurry and fairly content with the scoreline as it is.

45' Hard hit across the circle from IND. The ball goes up from an attacker's stick and hits Richard MANTELL on the side of the head. Time is briefly stopped but MANTELL can continue on the field.

44' James TINDALL has a little run in with Prbjhot SINGH in midfield but play continues, no card is given.

42' ENG manage to lodge themselves deep in the IND half but they cannot get dangerous.

40' Green card for two time goal scorer Tushar KHANDKER.

38' The two teams are back for the second half, but the first few minutes are mostly ineffectual bantering, the ball going back and forth but neither team able to make a coordinated effort.

35' Half time in this match that so far has been far clearer than expected, IND scoring four and only conceding one late goal to make it into the break with a 3 goal advantage. ENG have not looked good, and despite recuperating towards the end,

they will have to step up their game considerably if they wish to challenge IND and possibly make up the three goal lag in the second half.

**\*\* Goal: Rob MOORE (FG) \*\***

34' Lovely ball across from the far right by Jonty CLARKE, and Rob MOORE tips it in with the softest touch.

32' IND have an opportunity to pile another goal on but the shot is deflected wide.

30' ENG are definitely starting to look better now, but find it very hard to get dangerous, and are of course facing a very steep uphill battle being four goals down.

27' Green card for Martin JONES.

26' Richard MANTELL goes for the bottom left corner of the goal but is denied by an excellent save by goalkeeper Baljit SINGH.

25' Martin JONES wins a PC for ENG.

**\*\* Goal: Roshan MINZ (FG) \*\***

22' And there's the fourth as IND get into the circle and launch a shot on goal. James FAIR parries once, parries twice but cannot avoid the second rebound, hit in from a narrow angle from the left by Roshan MINZ. India 4, England 0.

21' Green card for Dilip TIRKEY.

18' ENG are still struggling to get their act together and can hardly get an attack onto the pitch.

**\*\* Goal: Sandeep SINGH (FG) \*\***

14' IND are demolishing ENG in the early phase of this encounter, putting away their third goal already as a ball across from the right finds Sandeep SINGH near the right post. Sandeep SINGH scoops the ball over James FAIR to extend IND's lead to three goals.

14' IND are still leading in this game, they have the better attacks and look more organized than the ENG.

13' Green card for Sardar SINGH.

9' Pranjhot SINGH gets into the circle on the left side and wants to launch a shot but Richard MANTELL intervenes.

**\*\* Goal: Tushar KHANDKER (FG) \*\***

5' And here's the next already! A weak shot from the right is blocked by James FAIR but the ball falls to KHANDKER who bangs it into the back board from close range.

**\*\* Goal: Tushar KHANDKER (FG) \*\***

2' The match has barely started and IND are already in the lead. Their first promising attack saw Gurbaj SINGH win a free hit at the edge of the circle, immediately taken by himself before ENG have any chance of getting ready, and KHANDKER near the right post has an easy job tipping it in.

1' ENG should be the favorites here despite a very slow start into the tournament, as their performance has improved steadily, culminating in a very convincing 6-2 win over BEL yesterday that got them into this match. IND have had good and not so good performances here, and it is sure to be an exciting match between the two teams today.

1' Welcome to the bronze medal match in this BDO Champions Challenge tournament in Boom where India meet England.

0' The umpires in this match are Deon NEL (RSA) and Eduardo LIZANA (ESP).