



A STUDY ON THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF KARNATAKA HOCKEY PLAYER K.K.PONNACHA TO INDIAN HOCKEY

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ABSTRACT:

Hockey is one of the many sports derived from pre historic man's delight in stick and ball games. It is a game played between two teams on a field with curved sticks and a small hard ball. In India among various sports, hockey occupies a significant place. It is the national game of India. It is a game of skill, deception, anticipation, concentration and character. Like all other games, hockey too has its fundamental skills. To be on the top in any game, it is necessary to have mastery over its fundamental skills. The fundamental skills of a game are based on the motor moments of human being.

KEYWORDS: hockey player , National/International level plays.

INTRODUCTION

The contribution of any hockey player in terms of high performance and achievements at National and



International level plays a vital role in the promotion of hockey game. The contribution of Karnataka State Hockey player in terms of high performance and achievements at National/International level plays a very important role in the promotion of hockey game in Karnataka and India in general.

To find out what kind of contribution and achievements by Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State Hockey players to Indian hockey, the present study is taken into consideration.

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:

The problem formulated for the present study is "A study on the Contributions and Achievements of Karnataka Hockey player Mr K.K.Poonacha to Indian Hockey".

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY:

The purpose of the study is to assess the contributions and achievements of Karnataka State Hockey player Mr K.K.Poonacha who represented India at International level by making his complete profile.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:

- To find out the contribution of Karnataka State Hockey players to Indian Hockey in the form of performance and achievements at International level.
- To make a profile of Mr K.K.Poonacha who represented India at International level.

Hypotheses of the study:

- Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State Hockey player would have contributed to Indian Hockey in the form of performance and achievements at National and International level.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STUDY:

- This study assumes great significance given to its comprehensive study to delineate the contribution

of Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State Hockey player to Indian Hockey.

- It reveals his contributions to Indian Hockey at International Hockey matches in the form of performance.
- The study further contributes and explores the role of Karnataka state hockey player to Indian hockey and also making the profile of hockey player is the record of information for further research studies as well as very helpful to coaches, trainers and state hockey federations of India.
- The profile of hockey player contributes as motivational factor for the upcoming young hockey players of Karnataka and India in general.

METHODOLOGY

A present study was designed to investigate the contributions and achievements of Karnataka State hockey player towards the promotion of Hockey game in the Karnataka State and India in general and also to study their philosophy with regard to sports as a profession in India, their quality as a player and their contribution to the game of hockey at national and international level. Data/Information for this investigation was derived from the Primary sources i.e. Direct observation, Questionnaires, Personal records, Archival records, Documents, Pictorial records and Secondary sources. Based on the objectives laid down in the present the following methods were used to obtain the data,

Design of the Study

Sources of Data and Information:

The different sources and methods used by the researcher to gather data and information about the contribution of Karnataka State hockey player to Indian Hockey. There are four major sources and methods that have been identified by researcher to obtain the information and data are Direct observation, Documents, Archival records and Participation. It is further divided as the collection of data and information for this investigation as both primary and secondary resources.

Primary Resources:

The original data, material and information is collected from the following primary resources,

(a) Direct Observation:

The researcher himself is a university level hockey player and he knows some of the history and profile of hockey players. His direct involvement in the hockey enables him to observe the official records of player in hockey federation being a direct observer and that will lead the researcher to get first hand information.

(b) Documents:

Researcher visited various sports institutions such as Indian Hockey Federation (IHF), New Delhi and Karnataka Hockey Association, Bangalore to get the related data information of the study in the form of Photo's, News Papers, Articles, Books and Administrative records etc. Pictorial records from a large repertoire of photographs available with different sources such as personal albums, official photographs that were found relevant to different occasions have been chosen as documents for the study. The published materials in the News Papers, Sports Magazines and Books etc. These are studied and information retained as documents for the investigation.

(c) Archival Records:

The official records in the sports websites of Sports federation's survey records, Life time achievements and name lists, etc. were searched and studied and information and data are retained for the study.

Secondary Resources:

To get deeper insight into the study the survey method in used for the further study.

(a) Survey:

The survey of state and national hockey federations or associations is done to get the data and information about the contributions of Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State hockey player who represented India at international level.

ANALYSIS OF DATA AND INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

A present study was designed to investigate the contributions and achievements of Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State Hockey players to Indian Hockey towards the promotion and development of hockey game in Karnataka and country in general and also to study sports motivation with regard to sports as a profession in India, their quality as a players, their professional leadership qualities, and their contribution to the game of hockey at National and International level. The present study is conducted on Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State hockey player who represented Indian hockey team at International level. Based on the findings the analysis of data and interpretation of results are presented in the following way.

Mr. K K PONNACHA

Mr. K K Ponnacha born in Virajpet, Coorg. He was an army personnel and extremely talented hockey professional with wide array of experience in coaching, training and leading international, national and regional level teams.

He was 18 years in the Indian army as a junior commissioned officer. He was very passionate and professional hockey player who has experience at international, national and regional levels which is reflected by representing the Indian hockey team for 4 years and in 52 international matches. An extremely talented and effective coach with the ability to deliver winning results in coaching national and international teams.

SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Coach: Oman National Hockey team April 2010 to till date.
- Asian Games qualifying –winners in Bangladesh 2010.
- Asian Games Guangzhou 2010 and got 7th Place.
- Air India hockey team April 2006 to march 2008.
- Services hockey team -2005 (61st senior Nationals held at Hyderabad).
- Junior India 2004 (indo-France test Series held at Hyderabad).
- Army XI 2001 to 2006.
- ASC hockey team 1997 to 2001.

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- 1994 India-Australia Test Series held at Australia.
- Men's World Cup held at Sydney, Australia 1994 and got 5th Place.
- 8th Indira Gandhi Memorial International Hockey Tournament held at New Delhi, 1995 and got Silver medal.
- Four Nation Tournament held at Germany 1995 and got 3rd place.
- Indo Pan American Friendship, Gold cup hockey tournament 1995 and got Gold medal.
- Champion's Trophy held at Berlin, Germany 1995.
- 9th Indira Gandhi Memorial International Hockey Tournament 1996 held at New Delhi and got Silver Medal.

- Indo-Germany Test Series 1998 held at India.

CONCLUSION:

Mr K.K.Poonacha was represented Indian hockey in the world cup, Test series, tours and won many medals for India. It is clearly advocated that Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka State hockey player who is immensely contributed to the cause of upliftment of national game hockey and thus played a pivotal role in reviving the glorious past of hockey in the country once again. Being the role model, Karnataka State hockey player was being religiously emulated by the younger generation for sports.

He served as coach in the field of Hockey at various levels and contributed as Karnataka state Hockey player to India Hockey in the form of performance and achievements at National and international Level.

Finally it is concluded that Mr K.K.Poonacha, Karnataka state Hockey player made a very significant and tremendous contribution to India Hockey in the form of achievements in the field of Hockey game at national and international level.

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