

PRESS RELEASE

SAI Felicitates the Silver Medalists of Junior Women's Asia Cup Hockey Team members

The Indian Junior hockey team made the nation proud having won a Silver in the 6th Junior Women's Asia Cup , Bangkok held from 27th June – 7th July. The team displayed exemplary grit and determination while playing with China in the finals held on 7th July.

Sports Authority of India organized a felicitation function for the winning team at SAI headquarters today. On this occasion, Sri Gopal Krishna, Sec SAI, who holds the additional charge of DG SAI reiterated that efforts are being made to lay new turfs at SAI centers at Bangalore and Bhopal. SAI has spent nearly Rs.0.87 Crores (approx.) during the financial year 2012-13, for junior national coaching camp (90 days) held at SAI, Bhopal centre and Delhi participation in the Junior Women's Asia Cup competition Rs.0.61 crores (Total=1.48 Crores).

Dr Narendra Batra in the presence of legendry hockey player Sr Harbinder Singh, Government Observer lauded SAI for shifting the coaching camp to Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Delhi from Bhopal so that the girls could adjust to the new turf and other facilities like flood lights similar to the one at Bangkok.

Meanwhile, Sports Authority of India has received the exemption U/S 80G Certificate of the Income Tax Act entitling it to utilize any voluntary contribution made with specific purpose of advancement of sports without the rigor of taxation.