
Maybank bag first MIHL crown

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PETALING JAYA: After trying again and again, Maybank finally won their first Malaysian Indoor Hockey League (MIHL) title after thrashing Tenaga Nasional 4-1 at the IOI City Mall Sports Arena yesterday.

Maybank displayed a stellar performance to clinch the title for the first time under head coach Iman Gobinathan, who was over the moon by the victory.

"I'm very happy for the Maybank team because they have been trying to win a lot of tournaments in the past few years.

"I've been a Maybank player my whole life so to be leading the team and seeing them win is special for me," said Iman after the match.

Maybank's captain and national indoor hockey team captain Najmi Farizal Jazlan was the first to find the back of the net through a penalty corner in the 13th minute before he doubled the lead in the 21st minute. Najmi then got his hattrick in the 22nd minute and Izham Azhar went on to score the fourth goal in the 30th minute.

Tenaga Nasional got a consolation goal in the 33rd minute through a penalty corner by Shazril Irwan Nazli.

DBKL HT took third place after they defeated ATM in the bronze medal match.

Meanwhile, in the women's category, DBKL HT took the title after a 4-2 win over Malacca Old Ladies HC while Malaysia University took third place after their victory over BNHC SMZN.