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Dear readers of Sportstar,

On behalf of the International Hockey Federation (FIH), it is my pleasure to write you this message for the special edition of Sportstar on the occasion of the Hero Honda FIH World Cup 2010 in New Delhi, India.

With the Hero Honda FIH World Cup, hockey is back to the greatest hockey nation in the history of our sport: India.

And the scene couldn't be better: a completely renovated Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium close to the India Gate in New Delhi. This stadium provides the perfect stage for the drama and excitement that the Hero Honda FIH World Cup contains.

The Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium will again be one of the most famous hockey venues and will be a legacy of excellence for Indian hockey into the future.

I am looking forward to close competition played in the spirit of fair play. With large crowds sure to energise the teams, the standard of play through the Hero Honda FIH World Cup will be exceptional. And selecting a winner is an impossible task with so very little separating the twelve competing nations.

The FIH would like to thank Hero Honda for its enormous support as title sponsor of the Hero Honda FIH World Cup. Together with presenting sponsor and all other event partners, hockey will enter a new era.

The FIH acknowledges the committed support of its WorldHockey Partners. Our partnership with ABN AMRO, BDO International, Samsung and AtaHolding plays and has played a crucial role in the successes achieved and has helped hockey develop and flourish around the world.

Good luck to all participating teams and officials and enjoy the Hero Honda FIH World Cup. I am sure that all parties involved in organizing FIH's flagship tournament will produce a successful and entertaining event for the entire Hockey Family. I hope to see many of the Sportstar readers in the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium as true hockey fans supporting their team.

Yours sincerely,

Leandro Negre
FIH President