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KUALA LUMPUR: Terengganu have failed to break their opening-match jinx in the Premier Division of the Charity Shield for the third

The East coast team were edged 2-1 by Kuala Lumpur Hockey Club (KLHC) at the Batu Buruk Hockey Stadium in Terengganu yesterday.

KLHC, despite playing away, dominated the match from the start to score two goals in two minutes. They took the lead through Dutch import Jelte Van Gennip off a close range hit in the 14th minute

KLHC kept up the pressure and added the second goal in the 16th minute off a defensive

Meor Mohd Hassan collected a loose ball in the semi circle and slammed it past goalkeeper Mohd Hafizuddin Othman to make it 2-0.

Two-time double champions Terengganu were a big letdown on their home ground as they failed to play to their true form.

They did, however, managed to reduce the deficit with a field goal by Nicolas Enrique Della in the 26th minute

KLHC coach Harun Al-Rashid was delight-

ed with the win.
"It's never easy playing in Terengganu .. my boys deserve all the praise for playing their hearts out. It's a good start for us in the league," said Harun.

Terengganu coach Sarjit Singh was obviously disappointed with his team for failing to end their Charity Shield jinx, despite having home ground advantage.

At the Tun Razak Stadium, Sapura began their Premier Division campaign with a 3-0 trouncing of Universiti Kuala Lumpur

Sapura opened the scoring in the third min-

ute through Faridul Afiq Mohd. Ten minutes later, Izad Hakimi Jamaluddin doubled the score off a penalty corner. Mohd Azrul Hasbullah added the third in the 49th minute.

In the third Premier Division match of the day, Maybank edged Tenaga 4-3 at the Kuala

Lumpur Hockey Stadium.

Hafifihafiz Hanafi scored a brace for Maybank in the 12th and 55th minutes while Firdaus Fauzi (15th) and Ignacio Santiago (41st) added one apiece.

Tenaga replied through Arif Sabron (11th), Muhd Husaini Mohd Husin (29th) and Azzami Adabi (40th).



RESULTS & FIXTURE

PREMIER DIVISION

TERENGGANU HC	1	KLHC	2	
TENAGA	3	MAYBANK	4	
SAPURA	3	UNIKL	0	



KLHC vs SAPURA - 6pm **UNIKL vs TENAGA - 8pm** (KL Hockey Stadium)

TERENGGANU HC vs MAYBANK - 5.30pm (Kuala Terengganu Hockey Stadium)

DIVISION ONE

TODAY

POLITEKNIK M'SIA vs NUR INSAFI - 5pm TNB-THUNDERBOLT vs BJSS - 6pm ATM AIROD vs UITM-KPT - 6pm SSTMI vs IPOH CITY COUNCIL - 5pm

TOMORROW

SSTMI vs NUR INSAFI - 7pm ATM AIROD vs BJSS - 6pm UITM-KPT vs TNB-THUNDERBOLT - 8pm POLITEKNIK M'SIA vs IPOH CITY COUNCIL - 5pm