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PETALING JAYA: All the goals will mean nothing to Azrai Aizad Abu Kamal if he can't get his hands on the TNB Cup. Tenaga Nasional's Azrai and Co will take on treble seekers Terengganu in the final at the National Hockey Stadium in Bukit Jalil today. The 25-year-old Azrai is cur-rently second in the scoring sheet

rently second in the scoring sheet with 21 goals, behind Terengganu's Faizal Saari who has 23 goals. But claiming the top scorer of the season isn't as important as taking home the trophy for Agrai

taking home the trophy for Azrai, although he would be going up against his idol, Faizal. "The most important thing to me is winning the TNB Cup. What's the point in scoring many goals and we end up not winning

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"Tenaga getting the trophy is "Tenaga getting the trophy is more important than my person-al goals," he said. Azrai gave a stellar perfor-mance during their semi-finals clash against Maybank on Thursday, when he scored a hat-trick in their 7-4 victory. Now one step away from the title, Azrai wants to make sure the job is done, as the team have already let two titles slip away to Terengganu this season. Terengganu had beaten Tenaga

Terengganu had beaten Tenaga to take the Charity Shield and the Malaysian Hockey League (MHL) titles, and Azrai wants to make sure it ends there for his opponents.

nents. "Of course, I don't want to give them the chance to take the tre-ble. We had already lost two titles to them, so we have to go all out to get the final one for our-selves," said Azrai. In the Terengganu camp, Faizal has the same selfless mindset, as he just wants to see out a perfect season for Terengzanu.

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the top scorer, Faizal wants to see his side win the treble and cap off a perfect season without a

off a perfect series loss. "Whether or not I get the top scorer is secondary, what's important is to create victory for the team," said the 34-year-old

In the third-fourth placing fixture, league debutants Matador will face Maybank today.

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