



MEN'S ASIAN CHAMPIONS TROPHY 2021

Dhaka, Bangladesh – 11 to 19 March 2021

NOTICE OF 2nd POSTPONEMENT

22 January 2021

To the Member National Associations of Bangladesh, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia and Pakistan

Dear Member National Associations,
Dear Friends,

Greetings from the Asian Hockey Federation! Wishing you a happy new year and hoping that 2021 brings a peaceful, safe, and healthy environment for you and your families.

After consulting with the participating teams and FIH, the Asian Hockey Federation unfortunately informs today that the Men's Asian Champions Trophy Dhaka 2021, planned to be held in **Dhaka, Bangladesh** from **11 to 19 March 2021** must be postponed.

First and foremost, AHF wishes to acknowledge and appreciate the great efforts of the Bangladesh Hockey Federation in trying to enable this event to take place, the willingness to adapt to the ever-changing circumstances and the good cooperation with AHF. The AHF puts on record and appreciates the Bangladesh Hockey Federation for their extraordinary efforts to secure this event. Unfortunately, the circumstances and ongoing pandemic have forced an unfavorable outcome.

The decision to postpone has been reached after consultation with the host, FIH and all participating NAs. This decision is motivated by concern for athletes' safety, health, and athletes' welfare and threat of uneven circumstances and unfavourable conditions faced by the participating teams. AHF believes that under present challenging circumstances all the teams should have equal chance to prepare their athletes. The vastly different conditions our Member NAs face, with some currently training and competing as normal in their countries while other teams are prohibited from even training by strict lockdowns, have also influenced our decision.

A postponement to the second half of 2021 has been approved by FIH, and new dates, which are likely to be during the first half of October, will be finalized and communicated as soon as possible. We appreciate your understanding on the current situation.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there are any questions or comments on this matter.

Best regards,

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