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FORMIDABLES vs. Dhampur Sugar final

DHAMPUR SUGAR consisting of Ashok Goel, Vinay Desai, Sayantan Kushari, Kaustubh Bendre, Sagnik Roy, and Kaustabh Nandi won the 19th HCL International Bridge Championship, 2022 by defeating FORMIDABLES by a margin 121-98. FORMIDABLES were trailing 14-32 at the end of the first set. They had a good second set and were up 62-46 at the end of that set. DHAMPUR SUGAR went up once again at the end of the third set and consolidated that lead to lift the Naresh Tandon 'Team of Four Gold' trophy with a comfortable margin of 23 IMPs.

In the silver section, Pradeep defeated Prayas to win the Mohini Tandon 'Team of Four Silver' trophy. The third/fourth position decider went to wire. A Grand Slam on the last deal saw LUCKY SIX finish third.

In MP Pairs, Partho Sarathi Mukherjee and Aniruddha Bhattacharya lifted the 'MP Open Pair' trophy instituted in the honour of late Mrs. Neena Bonerjee trophy with a score of 61.20 while Sandeep Thakral – Jaggy Shivdasani finished second. Zia Mahmood-Daniel Korbel were third.

There was a prize distribution ceremony where Shiv Nadar and Kiran Nadar gave away prizes.



FORMIDABLES vs DHAMPUR SUGAR

The first session started with a Grand Slam, just as it did yesterday. The scores of Session one can be taken as a testimony to the calibre of the two finalists here. There were two Grand Slams in first 10 deals. Both were bid and made in both the rooms.

Board 1, North Dealer, none Vul

	♠AQ52		
	♥AK764		
	♦--		
	♣Q987		
♠93		♠J4	
♥J85		♥T32	
♦KQJ64		♦T9753	
♣KT4		♣653	
	♠KT876		
	♥Q9		
	♦A82		
	♣AJ2		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustabh</i>	<i>Keyzad</i>	<i>Sayantana</i>	<i>Rajesh</i>
<i>Bendre</i>	<i>Anklesaria</i>	<i>Kushari</i>	<i>Tewari</i>
	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4Nt
Pass	5Nt ¹	Pass	7♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

1: 2 Key cards and a void.

In the Open Room, after North double-jumped to 3♠, Tewari asked Aces and got a reply showing two Key cards and a void. In the Closed Room (bidding shown below), there was an extra round of bidding when Kaustabh Nandi bid 3Nt to wait for a cue bid. As a result, South knew that North's void was Diamond void. Tewari didn't care to find that out. Both bid the Grand Slam in high spirits. If North had ♣K instead of the ♠Q, South would have lost a few heartbeats in the play. Souths chose not to ask about the ♠Q but let us not quarrel anymore with success.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit</i>	<i>Sagnik</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh</i>
<i>Mukherjee</i>	<i>Roy</i>		<i>Nandi</i>
	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	3Nt
Pass	4♦	Pass	4Nt
Pass	5Nt	Pass	7♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Board 2, East Dealer, NS Vul

	♠A97		
	♥T9643		
	♦KJ95		
	♣6		
♠Q		♠JT6432	
♥Q82		♥KJ	
♦QT764		♦832	
♣AT75		♣43	
	♠K85		
	♥A75		
	♦A		
	♣KQJ982		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustabh</i>	<i>Keyzad</i>	<i>Sayantana</i>	<i>Rajesh</i>
<i>Bendre</i>	<i>Anklesaria</i>	<i>Kushari</i>	<i>Tewari</i>
		3♠	3Nt
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Board 2 produced the first swing of the match. At favourable vulnerability, Sayantan opened 3♠ with 6 poor Spades. Tewari overcalled 3Nt and the bidding ended there. 10 tricks were easily made.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit</i>	<i>Sagnik</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh</i>
<i>Mukherjee</i>	<i>Roy</i>		<i>Nandi</i>
		2♠	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	3Nt	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

In the Closed Room, Laltu opted for a more cautious 2♠. That gave North-South enough rope to hang themselves, it would seem. Kaustabh made a 3♣ overcall and Sagnik advanced to 3♥ not because he had oodles of strength, but primarily because he did not like Hearts. South now cue bid 3♠, and Sagnik rebid 3Nt hoping that matters would end there. Kaustabh was not done, however. He continued with yet another Cue bid and dragged the bidding to a Heart slam. North-South were certainly not on the same page when it comes to the HCP range of an overcall and advance. NS were VUL, so they lost 300 when they went down three. That was exactly the carryover, so at the end of board 2, the scores were level 14-14. running Scores - FORMIDABLES 14; DHAMPUR SUGAR 14.

FORMIDABLES vs DHAMPUR SUGAR

Contd.

Board 3, S Dealer, EW Vul

♠ AQJ4	♠ K862
♥ 5	♥ KJ974
♦ T	♦ A3
♣ KJT9742	♣ 65
♠ 73	♠ T95
♥ AT2	♥ Q863
♦ KJ852	♦ Q9764
♣ AQ3	♣ 8

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustubh Bendre</i>	<i>Keyzad Anklesaria</i>	<i>Sayantan Kushari</i>	<i>Rajesh Tewari</i>
			Pass
1Nt	3♣	X	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3Nt	Pass	Pass	Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	<i>Sagnik Roy</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
			Pass
1♦	2♣	X	Pass
2♦	2♠	3♦1	Pass
Pass	4♣	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Board 3 also produced a big swing when Sumit-Laltu missed a game. Bidding was straightforward in the Open Room after Kaustubh Bendre decided to open 1Nt with 14 HCP. North overcalled 3♣, Sayantan negative-doubled and EW finally reached 3Nt. In the Closed Room, Sumit opened 1♦. On 2♣ overcall, Laltu opted for a double rather than bid 2♥, and Sumit rebid 3♦. The meaning of the 3♦ raise seems to have turned out to be the main issue.

Running Scores –

FORMIDABLES 14; DHAMPUR SUGAR 24

On Board 6, DHAMPUR SUGAR got 6 IMPs for a part-score swing and on boards 7 and 8, they added one IMP each. All the remaining boards in set 1 were push boards. Board 9 was a Grand Slam, bid and made at both table.

Board 9, North Dealer, EW Vul

♠ 3	♠ QT987
♥ AQT98	♥ 2
♦ AQJ54	♦ K9876
♣ A4	♣ T8
♠ K652	♠ AJ4
♥ J4	♥ K7653
♦ T3	♦ 2
♣ Q9765	♣ KJ32

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustubh Bendre</i>	<i>Keyzad Anklesaria</i>	<i>Sayantan Kushari</i>	<i>Rajesh Tewari</i>
	1♥	Pass	3Nt
Pass	4Nt	Pass	5♠
Pass	5Nt	Pass	7♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	<i>Sagnik Roy</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
	1♥	1♠	2♠
3♠	4Nt	Pass	5♠
Pass	5Nt	Pass	6♣
Pass	7♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

The essence of the bidding was the same on both the tables. South shows a big Heart fit with his response, North asked Aces, South chose to respond 5♠ counting the fifth trump as equivalent to the Queen of trumps. After that, in the Closed Room, North asked for Kings and South showed ♣King with a 6♣ bid; whereas in the Open room, South himself bid the Grand. That was the first of a series of push boards. Scores at the end of the session.

FORMIDABLES 14; DHAMPUR SUGAR 32.

Final Set 2

The second set started with DHAMPUR SUGAR leading FORMIDABLES by 32-14. In the Open Room, B. Satyanarayan - Kiran Nadar were North-South for FORMIDABLES while Ashok Goel-Vinay Desai were East-West. In the Closed Room, Laltu-Sumit Mukherjee were East-West for FORMIDABLES while Saganik Roy-Kaustabh Nandi were North-South for DHAMPUR SUGAR. This set produced five double-digit swings. We will have a look at each one of them. In Boards 15,16,17, FORMIDABLES added 5,0,1 IMPs taking their tally to 20.

Board 18, East Dealer, NS Vul

<p style="text-align: center;">♠ 6 ♥ AKQT74 ♦ Q972 ♣ 92</p> <p>♠ AQ93 ♥ J95 ♦ A8 ♣ J753</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">♠ KJT42 ♥ 3 ♦ KJ65 ♣ K86</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ 875 ♥ 862 ♦ T43 ♣ AQT4</p>
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Vinay Desai</i>	<i>B. Satya</i>	<i>Ashok Goyal</i>	<i>Kiran Nadar</i>
2Nt	3♥	1♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	4♥
			Pass

In the Open Room, Satya came in with 3♥ over West's 2Nt fit-showing raise. At the unfavourable vulnerability, it might seem like a risky bid, however, the big fit EW have mitigates that risk. Kiran raised to four and Vinay's 4♠ ended the auction. The defence was simple. Satya won the ♥4 lead and shifted to a Club to collect a Club ruff with his singleton trump. In the Closed Room (bidding shown below) Sagnik judged a 3♥ overcall to be too risky. The uncontested bidding concealed South's strength. Thus, when in with a Heart honour on trick one, Sagnik neither knew about East's singleton Heart, nor did he smell that ♣AQ could be with South. Sagnik continued Hearts and the contract made easily. That was 10 IMPs to Formidables. Running Scores – FORMIDABLES 30; DHAMPUR SUGAR 32.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	<i>Sagnik Roy</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
2Nt	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	Pass	4♠	Pass

Board 20, West Dealer, Both Vul

<p style="text-align: center;">♠ 72 ♥ QT9 ♦ AT975 ♣ A62</p> <p>♠ 865 ♥ J52 ♦ KJ842 ♣ J8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">♠ QJ3 ♥ 643 ♦ Q63 ♣ KQ94</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ AKT94 ♥ AK87 ♦ -- ♣ T753</p>
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Vinay Desai</i>	<i>B. Satya</i>	<i>Ashok Goyal</i>	<i>Kiran Nadar</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1Nt	Pass	2♥
Pass	2Nt	Pass	3Nt
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	<i>Sagnik Roy</i>	<i>Laltu</i>	<i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1Nt	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Formidables gained 10 IMPs on this rather innocuous board. After 1♠-1Nt-2♥ uncontested bidding, Satya chose the right 2Nt bid whereas Sagnik chose 2♠. Once again, the range of 2♠ bid is the critical issue here. 2Nt is a very narrow range, 10-11-12 or so in terms of bare HCPs, but 2♠ could be much weaker. Kaustabh had no reason to continue over 2♠. Kiran had an automatic raise to 3Nt after 2Nt rebid. Board 19 was flat. Running Scores – FORMIDABLES 40; DHAMPUR SUGAR 32. We had a new leader in the match after this board.

Final Set 2

Contd.

Board 22, East Dealer, EW Vul

	♠ K9	
	♥ KQJ7	
	♦ AKQJ2	
	♣ T3	
♠ A8653		♠ 42
♥ T2		♥ 654
♦ 7		♦ T863
♣ AQ654		♣ 9872
	♠ QJT7	
	♥ A983	
	♦ 954	
	♣ KJ	

Open Room

West <i>Vinay Desai</i>	North <i>B. Satya</i>	East <i>Ashok Goyal</i>	South <i>Kiran Nadar</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♠	X	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	3Nt
Pass	4♦	Pass	6♣
Pass	6♥	Pass	Pass

West <i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	North <i>Sagnik Roy</i>	East <i>Laltu</i>	South <i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♠	X	Pass	Pass (!)
2♣	2♦	Pass	3Nt
Pass	Pass	Pass	

In the Closed Room, Kaustabh Nandi sat for 1♠ doubled buying crucial time and space for further rounds of bidding. He held QJT7 of Spades and opponents were Vulnerable, so it was a reasonable risk to take. West ran to 2♣, North bid 2♦, and South's 3Nt closed the auction. That Pass of Kaustabh might have contributed the bulk of the IMP gain on this board.

Notice what happened in the other Table in the Open Room. Kiran jumped to 3♥ to show a strong hand. Satya could now visualise a slam if Kiran held two Aces and a King. He tried to explore that possibility, but North-South lost their way while doing that and ended up bidding 6♥ with two Aces out. Vinay, on lead, promptly cashed them. 10 IMPs to Dhampur Sugar. Board 21 was flat. Running Scores – FORMIDABLES 40; DHAMPUR SUGAR 42

Board 26, East Dealer, Both Vul

	♠ – –	
	♥ KT9753	
	♦ T5	
	♣ KT987	
♠ KT942		♠ AQ7653
♥ 84		♥ A
♦ Q843		♦ AKJ
♣ 62		♣ A53
	♠ J8	
	♥ QJ62	
	♦ 9762	
	♣ QJ4	

Open Room

West <i>Vinay Desai</i>	North <i>B. Satya</i>	East <i>Ashok Goyal</i>	South <i>Kiran Nadar</i>
		1♣ ¹	Pass
1♦ ²	2♥	X	3♥
3♠	4♣	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

In the Open Room, EW played strong Club, so the 1♣ opening only showed 18+ or so. To get that extra strength across, Ashok doubled 2♥, Kiran raised to 3!H, and Vinay bid the Spade suit first. When the bidding came back to Vinay after Ashok's 4♥ cue bid, Vinay had no way to sense the 5-5 Spade fit. He rebid 4♠ and Ashok passed.

Closed Room

West <i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	North <i>Sagnik Roy</i>	East <i>Laltu</i>	South <i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
		2♣	Pass
2♦	2♥	2♠	3♥
3♠	4♥	Pass	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

In the Closed Room, Laltu opened a 22+ strong 2♣. Having already shown all the strength, he was at liberty to overcall 2♠ at this next turn. After it went 3♥ by South, 3♠ by West, 4♥ by North, Laltu employed a strong pass. Sumit now jumped to 5♠ to suggest slam and Laltu happily accepted the invitation. 13 IMPs to Formidables. Before this, Board 23 was flat, On 24, DHAMPUR gained 3, and 25 FORMIDABLES got 1 IMP. Running Scores – FORMIDABLES 54; DHAMPUR SUGAR 45.

DHAMPUR gained 1 IMP on Board 27, and lost 10 on 28.

Final Set 2

Contd.

Board 28, West Dealer, none Vul

♠ KQJ72
♥ T9
♦ 972
♣ J53

♠ 864
♥ 532
♦ JT8
♣ Q842

♠ A95
♥ Q6
♦ 543
♣ AKT97

♠ T3
♥ AKJ874
♦ AKQ8
♣ 6

Open Room

West <i>Vinay Desai</i>	North <i>B. Satya</i>	East <i>Ashok Goel</i>	South <i>Kiran Nadar</i>
Pass	Pass	1♦	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

In the Open Room, Ashok Goel opened an amorphous 1♦. Kiran couldn't double holding a singleton Club. She overcalled 1♥ instead. When

Satya advanced with a 1♠ bid, Kiran jumped to 4♥. That was simple and effective. Eleven easy tricks and 650 to FORMIDABLES.

Closed Room

West <i>Sumit Mukherjee</i>	North <i>Sagnik Roy</i>	East <i>Laltu</i>	South <i>Kstabh Nandi</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	X
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

In the Closed Room, Laltu Opened 1♣ and Kaustabh doubled. Sagnik took out to 1♠. Kaustabh now rebid 3♥ showing a strong hand. With 7 HCP, Sagnik knew that they were looking at a game, but they likely had a misunderstanding as to whether 3♠ was forcing or not. You can imagine a North hand having J to six Spades and a stiff or void Heart. That is what Kaustabh must have imagined when he passed. Sagnik made 10 tricks playing in Spades for +170, but that meant FORMIDABLES gained 10 more IMPs. FORMIDABLES 64; DHAMPUR SUGAR 46.

Pramod Samant and Vu-Graph Team



Final Set 3

FORMIDABLES started Set 3 with a lead of 18 IMPs. They lost three big swings while gained one.

Board 2, East Dealer EW Vul,

<p>♠ A6 ♥ K42 ♦ AKQT9 ♣ K94</p> <p>♠ QJ973 ♥ T96 ♦ 7 ♣ Q863</p> <p>♠ T8 ♥ 873 ♦ J543 ♣ AJ52</p>	<p>♠ K542 ♥ AQJ5 ♦ 862 ♣ T8</p>
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustubh Bendre</i>	<i>Keyzad Anklesaria</i>	<i>Sayantan Kushari</i>	<i>Rajesh Tewari</i>
		Pass	Pass
2♠	X	4♠	Pass
Pass	X	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>B. Satya</i>	<i>Sagnik Roy</i>	<i>Kiran Nadar</i>	<i>Kaustabh Nandi</i>
		Pass	Pass
Pass	2Nt	Pass	3c
Pass	3♦	Pass	3Nt
Pass	Pass	Pass	

The third position 2♠ bid made all the difference on Board 2 of the third set. For DHAMPUR SUGAR, Kaustubh Bendre opted to open 2♠ with QJ to five and Satya opted not to. A profitable 4♠ sacrifice was available against a 3Nt game. DHAMPUR East-West found that. Running Scores – FORMIDABLES 62; DHAMPUR SUGAR 57.

Board 13, South Dealer, Both Vul

<p>♠ J972 ♥ AJ2 ♦ 652 ♣ Q85</p> <p>♠ AKQT65 ♥ -- ♦ AKQ98 ♣ K9</p> <p>♠ 43 ♥ K98643 ♦ 73 ♣ T32</p>	<p>♠ 8 ♥ QT75 ♦ JT4 ♣ AJ764</p>
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kaustubh Bendre</i>	<i>Keyzad Anklesaria</i>	<i>Sayantan Kushari</i>	<i>Rajesh Tewari</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	2Nt	Pass
3♦	Pass	3Nt	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	X
Pass	Pass	5♣	Pass
5Nt	Pass	6♦	Pass

A Diamond Grand Slam is cold on Board 13. None of the Pairs reached it. Upto Kaustubh's 4♦ bid, the bidding was natural. Sayantan tried a 'last train' 4♥ allowing partner to bid 4♠ if his hand wasn't too hot. South doubled and Kaustubh passed to extract further information from Sayantan. 5♣ Cue bid made it clear that Sayantan had prime values, so Kaustubh pushed for a slam. Still, after all those rounds of bidding and the subtleties, they reached only a small slam. FORMIDABLES also failed to reach 7♦ and the board turned out to be flat one although an interesting one for those who like to give close attention to bidding subtleties.

At the end of the third session, DHAMPUR SUGAR had covered all the deficit and added a little more to lead by 85-78. Because of the excitement generated by the narrow margin, I covered the last session in a running voice commentary. Please visit the following link to listen to that commentary.

Please use this link :
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wlrTR-6j1Q>

Final Set 3

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The last deal of the third session was also the last deal of the final match for the teams in the SILVER category. It turned out to be an interesting to decide third and fourth position. Team EISK was leading team Lucky Six by 7 IMPs. This was board 42.

Board 14, East Dealer, non Vul

♠ 2	♠ KQJ97	♠ 65
♥ K93	♥ A742	♥ Q865
♦ QJ87532	♦ KT6	♦ A94
♣ Q5	♣ 7	♣ J983
	♠ AT843	
	♥ JT	
	♦ --	
	♣ AKT642	

West <i>Indranil Chakroborty</i>	North <i>Mondal</i>	East <i>M o l</i>	South <i>o y</i>
3♦	3♠	Pass	1♣
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	7♠

Clubs are 42, so 3 Heart discards are available on South's Clubs. The bold 7♠ bid turned the tables and LUCKY SIX defeated EISK to win the third position and a prize of ₹4,50,000 while the four place finishers EISK got ₹3,00,000.



FINAL RESULTS - GOLD

Team	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Total
Winner Dhampur Sugar	18	14	39	36	121
Formidables	14	48	16	20	98

DHAMPUR SUGAR



Ashok Kumar Goel



Vinay Desai



Sayantan Kushari



Kaustubh Milind Bendre



Sagnik Roy



Kaustabh Nandi

FORMIDABLES



Kiran Nadar



Bachiraju Satyanarayana



Rajeshwar Tewari



Keyzad Anklesaria



Sumit Mukherjee



Debabrata Majumder

FINAL RESULTS - SILVER

Team	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Total
Prayas	22	14	17	28	81
Winner Pradeep	57	14	15	25	111

PRAYAS



Kamallesh Gupta



Sumit Saha



Vikram Jain



Santanu Chakraborty



Tanmoy Majumder



Swapan Sardar

PRADEEP



Pradeep Goenka



Pijus Kanti Baroi



Goutam Pore



Biswadip Roy



Mithun Mukherjee



Rajesh Kumar Shaw

FINAL RESULTS FOR THIRD POSITION - GOLD

Team	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Total
Hope and Prey	30	12	0	0	42
Q Mind and Matter	38	24	0	0	62

Hope and Prey Subhash Gupta, Puja Batra, Subir Majumdar, Animesh Raj, Sapan Desai

Mind and Matter Hema Deora, Arvind Vaidya, Bhabesh Saha, Satyabrata Mukherjee, Rana Roy, Biswajit Poddar

FINAL RESULTS FOR THIRD POSITION - SILVER

Team	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Total
EISK	38	51	35	0	124
Q Lucky Six	56	28	44	0	128

EISK B Seenivasagan, Kannan Krishnamurthy, Soumadeep Ghosh, Arya Chakraborty, Souvik Kar, Surajit Bar

Lucky Six Indranil Chakraborty, Moloy Kumar Mondal, Raj Kumar Chowdhury, Goutam Mazumder, Saurav Sil, Saptarshi Chanda



MATCHPOINT PAIRS GOLD FINAL

Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %
1	P S Mukherjee & Aniruddha Bhattacharya	859.3	61.2
2	Jaggy B Shivdasani & Sandeep Thakral	829.6	59.09
3	Zia Mahmood & Daniel Korbel	823.4	58.65
4	Bartosz Chmurski & Igor Chalupec	818.8	58.32
5	Binod Shaw & Sanjit Dey	815.4	58.08
6	Shambhu Nath Ghosh & Joy Narayan Roy	804.1	57.27
7	Joyjit Sen Sarma & Sandip Datta	762	54.27
8	Tribhuwan Pant & Sudhir Aggarwal	757	53.92
9	Raju Tolani & Ajay P Khare	746.9	53.2
10	Ramaratnam Krishnan & Arun M Bapat	745.5	53.09
11	Uttam Swarup Gupta & Gopinath Manna	740.6	52.75
12	G Venkatesh & Anil P Padhye	737.9	52.55
13	Gajendra Kumar Vyas & D V Majumder	727.4	51.81
14	Tomasz Sielicki & Piotr Tuczynski	726	51.71
15	Pradeep Anand Singh & Vijayanand Singh	710.9	50.63
16	Pradeep A Bhosale & R W Khare	709.9	50.56
17	Sukumaran Rajeev & Asok Jose Lean	700.9	49.92
18	S K Sharma ¹ & K P Mathur	700.6	49.9
19	Maneesh Bahuguna & K R Venkataraman	696.7	49.62
20	Anurag Mohota & Basant K Mohota	689.8	49.13
21	Sujit Kumar Bhattacharjee & Swapan Some	689.4	49.1
22	Koushik Mukherjee & Vikrant Mehta	687.5	48.97
23	Ian Concessio & Archie R D Sequeira	675.8	48.13
24	Sowmik Das & Biswajit Dutta	667.3	47.53
25	Tapan Roy & Sailen Das	648.2	46.17
26	Md Alauddin & Hasan Al Banna	554	39.46
27	Sandeep N Karmarkar & Rajendra Gokhale	540.8	38.52
28	Rakesh Chandra Sharma & Amar Kumar Bose	517.8	36.88

MATCHPOINT PAIRS SILVER FINAL

Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %
1	Rajeev Khandelwal & Himani Khandelwal	743.2	61.93
2	Anirban Sasmal & Atanu Ganguly	721.8	60.15
3	Sukamal Das & Subrata Saha	696.8	58.06
4	Shibhnath Dey Sarkar & Badal Das	694.9	57.91
5	Paban Agarwal & Hasibul Hasan	691.6	57.63
6	Pranab Roy & Anindya Bhattacharya	671.9	55.99
7	Padmanabhan Sridharan & Rajesh A Dalal	666.3	55.52
8	Ram Avatar Agrawal & Mukund Jagannathan	655.2	54.6
9	Prasun Kumar Mukherjee & Abhijit Chakraborty	635.4	52.95
10	Dipak K Poddar & Jitendra J Solani	633.3	52.77
11	Peiyush Jain & Arvind Ranasaria	632.1	52.68
12	Brian Pincus & Craig Gower	630.6	52.55
13	Bijit Datta & Suman Routh	612	51
14	B M Mahmud Hossain & Md. R Hasan Ripon	610.5	50.88
15	Bindiya Naidoo & Priya Ranjan Sinha	587.5	48.96
16	Devi Muthu Bhatnagar & Ashok K Sinha	579.3	48.28
17	Tanmay Chatterjee & Prabir K Saha	577.4	48.11
18	WAJID ALI MIRZA & Akhauri Prabhat Kumar	574.9	47.91
19	Asim Saha & Biswajit Mahata	567.4	47.28
20	Girish Kumar & Ratnesh	566.1	47.18
21	S M Patnaik & P BEHURA	548.2	45.68
22	Jesal Dabriwala & Pritam Das	545	45.41
23	Shankar Acharya & Sourendra C Dutt	543.8	45.32
24	D K Tewari & P C Gupta	508.5	42.37
25	Navneet Swaika & Mrinal Kanti Mukherjee	490.3	40.86
26	Subashish Gope & Jibak Tewari	474.3	39.53

IMP Strata II - Session 2

Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %	Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %
1	Tapas Das & Subir Kumar Chaudhuri	92	2	44	Pallab Roy & Ram Prasad Das	3.3	40
2	Hemkanti Talulkar & Anup Mahajan	67	4	45	S Krishnamoorthy & Sarika Mittal	-0.8	60
3	Soumya Das & Sampath Srinivasan	62	1	46	Borhan Ali Molla & Bimalendu Das	-2.7	65
4	Wrik Chakraborty & Swarnasish Chatterjee	62	7	47	Siddhartha Behura & Sushil Agarwal	-4	31
5	Anukul Mandal & Paresh Gupta	60	39	48	Dheeraj Kumar & Sudhir Kumar	-4	60
6	Dipanjan Khan & Mithun Biswas	52	10	49	Abhijit Pal & Arijit Chattaraj	-5	70
7	V Mohan Rao & D Sudhanand	50	19	50	Devangshu Datta & Vijit Berry	-6	75
8	Amitava Ghosh & Sayantan Konar	49.1	54	51	Arun Jain & Gopika Tandan	-6.4	59
9	Ronald Miranda & A Naffar	45.1	12	52	Sk Sharma & Kitty	-7	43
10	Madhu Sudan Sharma & Tapas Kumar Sarkar	45	5	53	Tapan Kumar Roy & Alok Dutta	-8	73
11	Ajit Mahadar & Khushru Kapadia	44	3	54	Anu Jalan & Biswajit Ghosh	-9	41
12	Achintyananda Thakur & Jayanta Bhakta	43	49	55	Amol Deshmukh & V Chandrasekhar	-10	35
13	Gautam Chatterjee & Manoj Kumar Dey	43	14	56	R P Sian & Vijender Singh Kadian	-10.7	28
14	Shekhar Banerjee & Arun Kanti Chatterjee	42	23	57	Rajul R Dalal & Deven Doshi	-11	33
15	J Pratihari & Birendra Kumar	39	55	58	MR Hasulkar & Vilas Chouthai	-11.1	58
16	Monu Kumar & Monu Kumar Ranchhad	37	35	59	Ranjeet Bhargava & Ritu Bhargava	-12	67
17	Arnab Ghosh & Babhrubahan Bose	35.2	11	60	Swarup Ghosh & Bijon Kumar Mondal	-15.3	50
18	ASHOK KUMAR & Alok Kumar Sinha	34.7	35	61	Sharad Waghmare & Srinivasan Krishnaswami	-16	67
19	U V Athavale & V Ravichandran	34	8	62	Rupak Goswami & Soumen Shee	-20	63
20	Rajib Roy & Sourav Basak	33	26	63	Amitava Mukherjee & Sibopriya Ghosh	-21	60
21	Hemant Pande & Puneet Goyal	30.9	20	64	J K Bhosale & V Ravindran	-27	51
22	Kajal Chandra Das & Mohit Kumar Mehta	30	9	65	Sudhir Kumar Agrawal & Jai Prakash Agrawal	-28.5	25
23	Hemant Purkar & Sudhir S	29	15	66	AK Guha & AK Ghosh	-30.3	85
24	Sumit Bhowmik & Sudipta Adhikary	29	17	67	Velupillai Balakumar & Yasar K	-32	75
25	Shantanu Ghosh & Tapas Kumar Roy	24.1	18	68	Ritu Khana & Subhasree Basu	-35.4	42
26	Prakash Gupta & Somnath Mitra	24	27	69	Umesh Ram & J P Singh	-37	72
27	SP Roy & R Chowdhury	23.9	13	70	Amit Nangpal & Indrajit Sensarma	-37.1	77
28	Braja Gopal Dey & Sunil Das	23	5	71	Bharat Joshi & Abhishek Gupta	-39	32
29	Partha Sarkar & Provat Roy	21	29	72	Mrinal K Haldar & Bholanath Ghosh	-40.8	69
30	Kamal Naguri & Amitava Banerjee	20	35	73	Jiten Chakraborty & Kalyan Ror Chowdhury	-41	55
31	Debasish Polley & Chiranjib Ballav	19.8	21	74	Rashi Jahagirdar & Paavan Goyal	-42	53
32	Md Zahid Hussain & Maula al Mamum	16.9	47	75	Phanuwit Tor Charoen & W Wathaneeyawach	-43	80
33	N B Shinde & S G Surve	16.6	22	76	Sharad Kumar & S K Gautam	-45.5	64
34	Arnab Basu Roy & Abhirup Ghosh	13	29	77	Bhalender Singh Nayyar & Bina Malhotra	-46	81
35	Alok Kumar Mandal & Samar Kumar Maity	13	33	78	Siladitya Darbar & Sandip Kar	-46	79
36	Talluri Nageswara Rao & Prabhat Kumar Gupta	12	43	79	Vikas Taralekar & Prakash B Kulkarni	-46	71
37	Manju Bhasin & Madhu Kapoor	10	45	80	Irbat Khan & DD Gulati	-48	52
38	Raju Santra & Dilip Mistry	9	45	81	Kamleshwar Rai & Chunni Lal Arora	-58	83
39	Aditi Jhaveri & Vijay Deshpande	7.4	16	82	Hari Narayan & Tushar Kanti Dey	-59.4	78
40	Rahul Shetty & Meenal Thakur	6.7	57	83	Richa Sriram & Ranjan Bhattacharya	-62.7	74
41	Somchai Rungsathit & Supote Yaisawang	6	23	84	Rohit Gupta & Deepika Mehta	-95.6	82
42	Bikash Dutta & Saikat Mandal	6	48	85	Kamal Kumar Gupta & Kunal Chander	-104.9	84
43	KD Chakraborty & Swetadri Saha	5.4	66	86	Shakti Dhar Chowdhury & Manoj Das	-124.9	86

IMP Pairs Final - Session 2

Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %	Rank	Players	Match Points	Score %
1	Subhajit Choudhury & Bulu Saha	93.1	11	39	Sanat Kumar Saha & Asit Baran Chakraborty	4.5	59
2	R G Bhiwandkar & Subhash A Dhakras	82	2	40	Sukrit Vijaykar & Stanley Nazareth	4.4	41
3	Rupa Bakeri & Marianne Karmarkar	73.7	9	41	Anant Somani & Rajesh Somani	3	65
4	Nitin Shah & Shirish Karkarey	69.2	7	42	Rajesh K Jain & Ramesh Patodia	-0.1	62
5	Rahul Khambete & Rajendra Sirohia	69.1	3	43	Ashis Malhotra & Hemant K Jalan	-3.1	39
6	Sabyasachi Sadhukhan & Ayan Chatterjee	55.8	4	44	Saurendranath Chakrabarti & Swapan Ghosh	-4.7	46
7	Monica Jajoo & Somesh Bhattacharya	54.5	4	45	Sajal Pal & Shantanu Roy	-4.9	53
8	Rakesh Nanda & B S Gupta	50.9	6	46	Ratna Tadepalli & Sadhana Gupta	-8.1	24
9	Shouvik Das & Saila Ranjan Das	46.3	32	47	Rasika Karunatilake & Sudipta Ray	-8.5	72
10	Peeracha Suriya & Jittakan Pachimsawat	45.5	13	48	Kaushik Mukherjee & Sajal Banerjee	-9.6	62
11	Ratan Lal Sanghi & S M Moin	42.8	1	49	Vinay Sharma & Lyn Nazareth	-10.7	52
12	Amarjit Wadhawan & Sarasij Majumder	40.3	12	50	F K Tamboly & Nerio Vakil	-13.8	34
13	Kalyan Kumar Roy & Rajendra Ray	38.6	16	51	Sujit Basu & Kishore Kanti Roy	-14.6	53
14	Sukanta Das & Bhaskar Sarkar	37.1	19	52	Rukson Kongsattra & Poohdid Khombua	-14.6	56
15	Sanjay Amist & Umesh Kumar Singh	33.8	25	53	R Anbazhagan & Anshul Bhatt	-17.6	60
16	Pramod Kumar Mishra & D N Lenka	33.1	15	54	Vinay Mohan Lal & Ajit B Chakradeo	-18.7	47
17	Prosenjit Manna & Joyrup Mullick	31.6	18	55	Pallab Sinha Roy & Soumitra Das	-21.7	20
18	Edward Perera & Romesh Bandaranaike	28.9	29	56	Rahul Agarwal & Yash Pal	-22.1	69
19	Shyama Prasad Chatterjee & Soham Sarkar	28.5	14	57	Subhash Bhavnani & Finton Lewis	-22.1	27
20	Ravi Raman & Jenish Shah	25.5	21	58	Satish G Diwanji & K V Vahalia	-24.1	48
21	Hasmukh Vidja & Ravindra Amritkar	22.9	37	59	Pintu Sao & Ranjan Bose	-24.9	67
22	Priyotosh Sarkar & Asis Tosh	19.7	42	60	Shrikant B Tembey & S Krishnan	-25.5	23
23	Sujit Kumar Sur & Kajal Pal	18.9	33	61	Chandan Choudhury & Indranath Chatterjee	-26.6	70
24	Manthaneeyaisawang & Suthita Insrila	18.6	34	62	Soumitra Chakraborty & Arabinda Kumar Mishra	-28.4	61
25	Meenu Dugal & Anindra Kumar Sarkar	18.5	26	63	Prashanto Hait & Ramprosod Das	-30.4	64
26	Anand W Golwalkar & Abhay Todankar	17.7	34	64	AS Gupta & V Krishnan	-31.8	44
27	Sidharth Sattiraju & Naveen Kumar	16.2	48	65	Alka Jain & Dinesh K Jain	-39.1	44
28	Kalpna Gurjar & Vidhya Patel	16	42	66	Sudhir K Agrawal & Asha Surana	-40	57
29	Rob Stephens & Lex Van Vught	13.6	8	67	Sumanta Roy & Hironmoy Banerjee	-43	39
30	Pradip Dey & Ashis Pan	13.5	28	68	Kunal Jaiswal & Alok Kumar Rathi	-44.9	70
31	Sunil Misra & Shahid Askari	12.7	50	69	Arup Kumar Hudait & Animesh Majumder	-50.2	66
32	Suman Sengupta & Kamal Krishna Mukherjee	12.2	58	70	Ravi Goenka & Ajay Bagaria	-50.6	73
33	Nirmal Kumar Jain & S Vijayraghavan	11.1	16	71	Anuj Sharma & Jitendra Pandey	-53.3	53
34	Avijit Sarkar & Inderjeet Singh	10.6	30	72	Bindiya Kohli & Priya Balasubramanian	-60.9	31
35	Aniruddha P Sanzgiri & B C Pendse	10.1	10	73	Sukku Nayyar & Deepa Jacob	-71	68
36	Asim Das & Tapan Kr Bhattacharya	9.5	51	74	Gourav Biswas & Pulak Panji	-73.4	75
37	Subodh Maskara & Anal B Shah	8.9	22	75	Md Sahajahan & Sarveswar Bhattacharya	-87.3	74
38	Atulya Sood & Chander Negi	5.8	38				

Photo Gallery



Parimal Vahalia, member of the Directors' team.



V K Sharma, member of the Directors' team.



Samant, chief BBO Vu Graph entry team,
and Ivan Alphonso

Asha Sharma and Meenal Thakur



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Sutanu Behuria, the BFI President and Arun Jain, a prominent player and Sponsor.

Anshul Bhat, the youngest participant in the tournament at 13y.



Swaminathan, member of the Directors' team.

Kiran Nadar and Subhash Gupta



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The one and only Zia Mahmood

Sanjay Chakroorty with the
Chief Tournament Director Laurie Kelso



Anshul Bhat and Anbu, his first Coach.

Vidhya Patel and Kalpana Gurjar



Photo Gallery



Subhash Gupta and Monica Jajoo



Sagnik Roy and Sayantan Kushari



Uttam Gupta and NRK Murthy, ex-president of BFI, and a top class Indian International in his own right.

T.C. Pant who made it all possible right from getting the playing room properly illuminated.



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Kalpana Gurjar



Vidhya Patel



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Puja Batra of team Hope and Prey

Dr. K. V. Vahalia,
the seniormost participant at 92Y.



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