



Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali as a Coach: A Case Study

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Abstract

A case study was designed on Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali as a coach to the promotion of Indian hockey. The purpose of this study was to collect the information about the coaching abilities and qualities of Syed Ali. Data Information for this investigation was derived from the primary i.e. personal records, pictorial records, news papers, official records and secondary sources. Hundred sports person who played under the umbrella of K D Singh 'Babu' Memorial Hockey Society, Lucknow and represented national and international level selected as the subject from all over the country. Survey technique was used to obtain responses and reactions through opinion rating questionnaire to get desired information. Opinion rating questionnaire on Shri Syed Ali was constructed by researcher with the help of supervisor and experts. Thirty dimensions were selected for the responses on as a coach. To estimate the strength of feeling, five points rating scale was used. The subjects will also be requested to return the questionnaire with the necessary information at the earliest convenience. Finally the total number of responses received and converted in terms of percentage and for data interpretation the average of percentage of responses have used. Result: majority of respondents either strongly agreed or agreed. It indicates that the Society's players have opined that Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali as a coach and overall group also have positive opinion towards the statements. It concluded that he have many qualities/ abilities of coaching and it revealed that he is very punctual, motivating personality, honest, possess international standard of coaching, and keeps transparency in his working culture.

Key words: Coach, Primary, Secondary, Opinion Rating, Questionnaire, etc.

1. Introduction:

The performance of India in Olympic hockey is perhaps the most glorious chapter in the history of Indian sports. The domination of country in Olympic hockey continued from its debut in 1928 at Amsterdam to 1956 in Melbourne, 1964 in Tokyo and 1980 in Moscow recovered once again to become a Champion.

It has been revealed that Syed Ali was born in 21 August 1956 at Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. The father's name was late Mohammed Ali and mother's name was Berges Ali. As per collected literature and interviewed with him and his family members his father was tailor men and very hard worker. His father came from Bangladesh to Lucknow before independence of India. After four years of his birth Syed Ali was brought to Nainital and he was raised up in this city of Uttar Pradesh now in Uttarakhand. He has thirteen brothers and two sisters. He completed his school life from Chand Lal Govt Primary School, class sixth to eighth from Government Secondary School at Nainital. He completed his high school and senior secondary from C R S C Inter College, Nainital and graduation from J N P G College, Lucknow. He started playing hockey from Nainital in his school days. His family members were never against sports. But his dedication of

hockey made worried to his father for his future career. Because of in those days our country was passing through political unbalance. Syed Ali was self motivated and did very hard practice daily by daily. As his mother said; he never loses his practice and looking hockey matches.

After some times Syed Ali attracted to late K. D. Singh 'Babu' and N Jhaman Lal Sharma with art of hockey. He was very dedicated for hockey and came back Lucknow. He stepped in Lucknow hostel in 1971 as a student of hockey. Progress in any field is closely related to the availability of quality of professional leadership, dedication and disciplined life and to its leaders.

Syed Ali was a member of the Indian hockey team in the 1970s and early 80s. He played hockey on the field from 'left out' position. He started sports career under guidance of his 'Guru' Jhaman Lal Sharma coaching of late K. D. Singh Babu and N Jhaman Lal Sharma. He played many national and international tournaments for our country like: Gold medal in Renfrank International tournament at Australia and Newzeland tour in 1975, in1976 represented First Olympics at Montreal and awarded by the 'Baby of team'. He played as the youngest player of the team and also he was the first Olympian of K.D. Singh 'Babu' Memorial Society at Lucknow s well as Lucknow hostel. Laxman award by Uttar Pradesh state Government in 1975, Gold Medal in Pre-Olympics Game in 1979, in 1982 Silver Medal in Asian Games at Delhi, government of India awarded by Dhyanchand life time achievement award for his dedication, honesty, working capacity, and developing hockey on gross route level without any hesitation.

From 1987 he began work as chairman of K.D. Singh 'Babu' Memorial Society at Lucknow after Shri Jhaman Lal Sharma. And also involved in developing hockey in Lucknow and India as a whole. Presently he is working as a coach and technical secretary of K.D. Singh 'Babu' memorial hockey society for boys and girls. And every year he has organize the national tournament in India at Lucknow. He is the first Olympian and International hockey player of K.D. Singh 'Babu' stadium of Lucknow. He is working with Indian selection committee of Hockey for Men's and Women's from last eight years. His dedication towards the hockey shows his efforts to providing facilities and platform for Hockey to the rural and urban areas of Uttar Pradesh in India.

2. Procedure and Methodology:

A case study was designed on the Dhyanchand awardee Shri Syed Ali. Data Information for this investigation was derived from the primary i.e. personal records, pictorial records and secondary sources. Survey technique was used to obtain responses and reactions. Hundred sports person who played under the umbrella of K D Singh 'Babu' Memorial Hockey Society, Lucknow and represented national and international level selected as the subject from all over the country through opinion rating questionnaire to get desired information. Opinion rating questionnaire constructed by researcher with the help of supervisor and experts. Thirty dimensions are selected for the responses on Shri Syed Ali as a coach.

To estimate the strength of feeling, five points rating scale was used as: Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Undecided (UD) Disagree (DA), Strongly Disagree (SD) The subjects will also be requested to return the questionnaire with the necessary information at the earliest convenience.

Finally the total number of responses received and converted in terms of percentage (in table-1) and for data interpretation the average of percentage of responses have used.

TABLE-1
Percentages (%) Of Opinion Rating Questionnaire of Dhyanchand Awardee Syed Ali As A Coach

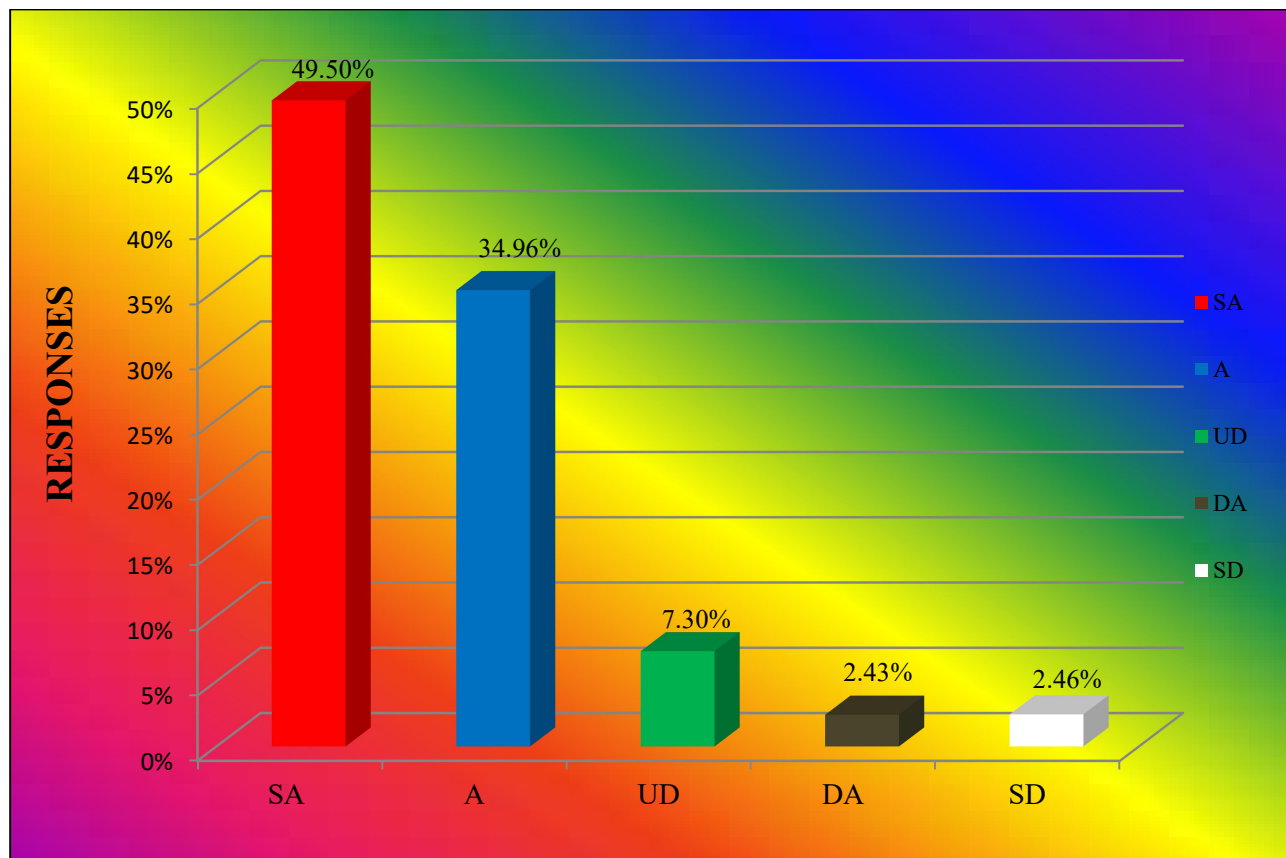
S.N.	Statements	SA	A	UD	DA	SD
1.	He is very punctual	71	17	12		
2.	He seldom loses his temperament	09	63	03	13	12
3.	Possess motivating personality	77	19	04		
4.	He believes in learning by doing	36	53	11		
5.	He is capable to overcome obstacles	57	33	08	02	
6.	He does not encourage others	15	31	04	16	34
7.	He is very honest with his duties	59	32	09		
8.	He is very friendly	52	39	08	01	
9.	Possess quality of scientific training in sports	50	31	12	07	
10.	He possess international standard of coaching style	49	39	10	02	
11.	He adopts new trends/techniques in his coaching	50	37	09	02	02
12.	He prepares the team for the match mentally, tactically and technically	46	40	14		
13.	He has sound communication skills	55	29	07	09	
14.	Possess vision for development	51	38	10	01	
15.	Believes in participative management and involves all concerned before framing tactics and strategy	46	42	12		
16.	He had strict supervision over his trainees	53	34	12	01	
17.	He keeps transparency in his working culture	50	40	07	02	01
18.	Possess emotional stability and loses patience quiet often	30	30	18	06	16
19.	Prefers discussion about hockey in his leisure time	49	44	06	01	
20.	Possess honesty and sincerity to his assignments	55	39	04	02	
21.	He is always source of support and strength to everybody	56	30	12	02	
22.	Having mastery over the interpretation of rules & regulations	64	30	06		
23.	Gives equal preferences to all the players during coaching	73	21	01	02	03
24.	Never used unfair means to achieve higher goals	50	42	03	01	04
25.	He likes to work within the ambit of framed rules and regulations	60	32	06	02	
26.	He has capacity to constantly maintain his trainees performance for a long period	52	43	04	01	
27.	He never hesitates to bear responsibility if his decision creates any adverse atmosphere	63	31	06		
28.	He tended to be friendly with the members of opponent team on and off the field	55	42	02		01
29.	He has very vast knowledge about sports	61	34	05		
30.	He has very natural ability of spotting talent	62	31	06		01

3. Result and Discussion:

Table-1 consists of the opinions of Society's players on Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali as a coach. The descriptive percentage revealed that out of 100 Society's player, 45.5% strongly agree, 34.96% agreed, 7.3% undecided, 2.43 disagree and 2.46% strongly disagree to the statements. It further indicates that the Society's players have opined that Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali as a coach and overall group also have positive opinion towards the statements. The data pertaining to this is presented in figure-1.

Figure-1

Graphical Representation: Average Of Percentage of Responses on Dhyanchand Awardee Syed Ali as a Coach



4. Summary and Conclusions:

- Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali is very punctual on the ground and in daily life and motivating personality.
- Syed Ali believes in learning by doing and encourages all members of team to play well.
- He is very honest with his duties, friendly off the field and on the field, sound communication skills and possesses vision for development of hockey.
- It is reveal that he has proved himself as a coach to spread awareness of hockey in a more interesting and realistic manner, possess quality of scientific training in sports, adopts new trends and techniques in his coaching and he prepares the team mentally, tactically and technically for the match.
- Dhyanchand Awardee Shri Syed Ali keeps transparency in his working culture and involves all concerned before framing tactics and strategy.

- He prefers discussion about hockey in his leisure time and mastery over the interpretation of rules and regulation.
- He is very honest and sincere to his assignments and strict supervision over his trainees. He gives equal preferences to all the players during coaching and never uses unfair means to achieve higher goals.
- It is revealed that Syed Ali has many qualities and abilities of coaching field hockey like: very natural ability of spotting talent by proving the capacity to constantly maintained trainees performance for long period and never hesitates to bear responsibility if his decision creates any adverse atmosphere very vast knowledge about hockey of hockey in rural and urban areas at Uttar Pradesh as well as in India.

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