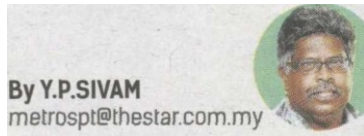


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PNSB fight back from a goal down to win by two over Kuala Langat



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PNSB displayed excellent fighting qualities and defeated Kuala Langat District Football Association 3-1 in a Super Division Group B match, in the Football Association of Selangor League, at the PKNS Sports Complex in Kelana Jaya.

It was a deserving win for PNSB as they trailed 1-0 at half-time. Jeffrey Zulkifli Lee gave Kuala Langat the lead in the 19th minute with a well taken goal from the edge of the box.

Stunned by the goal, PNSB went on the offensive and dominated the tempo but were unable to get the equaliser before the interval.

PNSB continued their dominance in the second-half and after several failed attempts, Azro Syamsul Rizal Md Azmin drew the sides level in the 53rd minute.

With the score 1-1, PNSB grew in confidence and troubled the Kuala Langat defence with several more raids, after which, in the 67th minute captain Azhari Hamzah made it 2-1.

With this, Kuala Langat clearly became more aggressive and ref-

eree K. Shankaran was in the thick of things to keep the match under control.

PNSB made it 3-1 in time added on when Muhamad Taufik Ismail found the back of the net and it left their manager Habeebullah Husain to commend his players for a gutsy display.

"They played well as a team and managed to get the goals in the second-half," he said. "Now, we are in the race for a quarter-final berth."

It was PNSB's fourth win in six matches and it left them with 14 points from four wins and two draws. They are also one of three

unbeaten teams in Group B — the other two are Smart Focus MPNA and Subang Jaya Municipal Council.

For Kuala Langat, it was their third defeat in six games. With only five points to show, they have to win their remaining matches to make it into the top-four and qualify for the quarter-finals.

Subang Jaya, after their 2-0 win over Belia Selangor B, are in top spot with 14 points and a better goal aggregate than PNSB. Smart Focus MPNA are third on 13 points.

In Group A, defending champions Emkay-NPNG continued their winning streak when they defeated Belia Selangor A 2-0 at the Subang Jaya

Municipal Council Sports Complex, while Malaysia Airlines thrashed UMW 7-1 at the Proton Ground in Shah Alam.

It was Emkay-NPNG's fourth win in as many matches.

Megah Murni, last season's Premier Division champions, are leading the 10-team table with 13 points from four wins and a draw.

Former champions Proton are in the second place, also with 13 points, while Emkay-NPNG, who have played one match less, are third with 12 points.

Prisons and AirAsia, who have nine and eight points, respectively, are also in the race for a spot in the quarter-finals.

In the Premier Division, Saridee booked their quarter-final berth after a 1-0 win over SS Kundang in a Group C match. They have 21 points from seven wins and a loss, while Wira, who defeated Victoria 2-0, also earned a quarter-final spot.

Four other teams — Shah Alam City Council, UiTM, Sri Remaja and Nilam Puri -Dengkil — have also qualified for the quarter-finals.

In Division One, LS-MAFT strengthened their place at the top of Group A when they defeated AU 2-2. Following the win, LS-MAFT have 28 points from nine wins and a draw.

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RESULTS

Super

Group A

Malaysia Airlines bt UMW 7-1
Ernkay-NPNG bt Belia Sel A 2-0

Group B

PNSB bt Kuala Langat DFA 3-1
Subang Jaya MC bt Belia Sel B
2-0

Premier League

Group A

KC AL-Falah bt Gen Pro 2-1
Sel Chinese RC bt Rising Star 3-0

Group B

Klang Gate bt Seranta 3-0

Group C

Putra Perwira bt MPKE 3-0
Wira bt Victoria 2-0
Saridee bt SS Kundang 1-0

Group D

Sharpees and Samudra 1-1
Kenari Subang bt Kulitkraf 6-1
Horizon bt BBPJ 3-1

Division One

Group A

Puchong Rovers bt Klang Utd 1-0
Puchong Hunters bt Suriavilla
1-0
Mutiaru KD and Lembaga
Zakat 0-0
Lighthouse bt Setiajaya 2-0
LS-MAFT bt AU 2 4-2

Group B

Starbrite bt Rose-Optimus 6-1
Klang District FA bt Nusantara
2-0
Setia Kelana and Kuis 0-0.

Group C

PNMB bt Pos Selangor 3-0

Group D

Pendamai Putra bt Bukit Lan-
chong 2-1
Batu Caves bt Hulu Langat
DFA-Trmn Berjaya 4-0
Meru-Bukit Kapar and Red
Giant 3-3
TPCA bt Sunday Cowboys 4-0.

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On song: Azro Syamsul (left) strikes the equaliser for PNSB.