Believe it to make it happen, says Arul

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HAVE CONFIDENCE:
UniKL manager peps up his charges to overcome one-goal deficit against Sapura today

UNIKL coach Arul Selvaraj has no doubt his team have what it takes to overturn the one-goal deficit in their TNB Cup quarter-final return leg against Sapura but needs his players to have the same belief to make it happen at the National Hockey Stadium in Bukit Jalil today.

Arul, whose charges lost the first leg 3-2, said paying their opponents too much respect robbed them of victory on Wednesday, and that it must not be repeated in today's match.

"I am confident we can do this (overturn the deficit) and go on to the semi-finals, "It is only a one goal difference. One penalty corner and we could already be level," said Arul.

"Hockey is a game of angles. We did not move well due to a lack of confidence and subsequently missed out in the first game despite having our chances.

"The boys really need to have that confidence going into the second leg if we are to succeed. "I cannot be expected to shout at them to get them moving each time."

Arul, who is also the assistant national coach, added that the team already have a plan to overcome Sapura.

"We know how to beat them (Sapura). "We have studied their game and know what has to be done."

"We have had three separate meetings with the forwards, midfielders and defenders so now it is up to them to play their roles."

Meanwhile, Tenaga Nasional coach Nor Azlan Bakar said his side, who beat Terengganu 3-2 in the first leg, will be going all out for a win in the return leg today.

"We had expected a tough game against them and that is exactly what happened (in the first match)," said Nor Azlan.

"One goal is definitely not enough to secure victory. "We cannot afford to go out and try to defend our lead. "As far as I am concerned, we will go for a win as if the score was still 0-0."

Nor Azlan added that the team must also improve on their concentration after they conceded barely a minute after Faizal Saari scored Tenaga's third goal on Wednesday.