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TENAGA Nasional claimed their first win of the season when they beat UniKL 4-2 in the Premier Division of the Malaysia Hockey League yesterday.

After taking a 4-0 lead off Firhan Ashaari (18th), Amin Rahim (20th), Faizal Saari (37th) and Shahril Saabah (56th), Tenaga almost allowed UniKL to claw back into the game.

However, UniKL could only narrow the gap with goals from Noor Faez Ibrahim in the 61st and 70th.

Tenaga started the season with a 4-4 draw with Terengganu, and then were held 3-3 by KL Hockey Club.

Tenaga coach Nor Azlan Bakar was relieved his charges finally collected full points.

"After two opening draws, it is a relief that we finally won. However, in the final 10 minutes my players

slowed down a little as we have another important match against Sapura tomorrow (today)," said Nor Azlan.

"We had the chances but failed to convert them, but I am proud of my players as they were not overawed playing against a stronger side. It is never easy playing against experienced sides but my players never gave up fighting," said UniKL coach Arul Selvaraj.

RESULTS — Premier Division: Nur Insafi 1 Terengganu 5, UniKL 2 Tenaga Nasional 4, Maybank 3 KLHC 4.

Today — Premier Division: Sapura v Tenaga Nasional (National Stadium Pitch II, 8pm).

Division One: TNB Thunderbolts v Ipoh City Council (National Stadium Pitch II, 6pm), Tengku Mahkota Ismail SS v UniTen (Taman Daya, 6pm).