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The purpose of the study is to compare the status of national and international hockey players on the selected psychological variables. Sixty male hockey players of India divided into two groups national (n=30) and international (n=30). The age range of the subjects was 17–25 years. The collection of data was based on four test-batteries that is, Alberta Incentive Motivation Inventory, the Sports Achievement Motivation Test, State and Trait Anxiety Inventory and Sports Competition Anxiety Test. As shown by the result of the study there were insignificant difference was found in incentive motivation, achievement motivation, state anxiety and trait anxiety between national and international hockey players and significant difference was found in sports competition anxiety. In order to test t test was used and 0.05 level of significance was used. The hypothesis that international and national players would not differ accepted in achievement motivation and rejected in the case of achievement motivation, state, trait and sports competition anxiety.

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