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Girl, 15, commits suicide after Brazil's humiliating World Cup loss

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USPA News - A 15-year-old Nepali girl rooting for Brazil has committed suicide after the South American country's humiliating 7-1 loss to Germany in Tuesday's semi-final match of the FIFA World Cup tournament, local media reported on Wednesday. Pragma Thapa, 15, had watched and discussed the match with her friends near the city of Itahari in southeastern Nepal.

The match was played at Belo Horizonte in Brazil and resulted in Brazil being eliminated from the tournament on their home soil in a game many analysts picked them to win. After already being teased by her friends for having supported Brazil, Thapa began arguing with her sister after returning home, following Germany's epic 7-1 defeat of Brazil. Thapa's sister had been supporting Germany. When the girl's mother later became involved in the argument, she also took Germany's side. Unable to comprehend Brazil's defeat, the dispirited 10th grader hanged herself in her room, according to the Himalayan Times. Thapa was studying in the tenth standard at the Morning Star Boarding School in Itahari and was a local athletics player, according to Kantipur Publications. Thapa's father, Mahendra Thapa, was abroad for foreign employment in a Gulf country and her grandparents were looking after her, according to the Indo-Asian News Service (IANS), which said Thapa studied for some time before hanging herself. "She was anxious to see Brazil in the final, but it went down to Germany. Some of her friends started teasing her for supporting Brazil," Sharad Thapa, a Nepal Police inspector, was quoted as saying by IANS. "Later in the morning, she took an extreme measure by hanging herself in her own room." Local police said they were investigating the case. Brazil went into Tuesday's semi-final stripped of captain Thiago Silva after FIFA rejected an appeal against his yellow card on Sunday. Additionally, the loss of star striker Neymar da Silva Santos Júnior, who was unable to play any more World Cup matches after enduring vertebrae injuries, was felt deeply by the team during their difficult match against Germany.

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