



2018 POSTGAME NOTES

GAME 1

UTAH VALLEY 2, NO. 21 MISSISSIPPI STATE 1

GAME 2

NO. 21 MISSISSIPPI STATE 4, UTAH VALLEY 2

MARCH 9, 2018

DUDY NOBLE FIELD (STARKVILLE, MISS.)

TEAM NOTES

- Mississippi State's record went to 9-6 on the season and 8-3 under head coach Gary Henderson.
- Bulldog starters **Konnor Pilkington** and **Ethan Small** combined for 22 strikeouts. All six of State's pitchers Friday combined for 28 strikeouts.
- In all eight of its wins, MSU has held the opponent to less than four runs.
- Tanner Allen and Luke Alexander both earned multi-hit and multi-RBI performances in Game Two Friday.
- State earned its fourth comeback win of the season in Game Two of the doubleheader.
- Today's attendance: 5,468

PLAYER NOTES

- In Game One, **Konnor Pilkington** made his fourth starting appearance of the season and remained perfect through 5.1 innings, earning double-digit strikeouts (12) for the second time this season and the fourth time of his career. Pilkington also added four called strikeouts to his SEC-leading tally; he now has 18.
- **Pilkington** surrendered no walks during his Game One performance, holding his season total at one base on balls this season.
- **Josh Hatcher** earned the second four-hit performance of MSU's 2018 campaign, and scored the lone run in Game One.
- Jake Mangum stole two bags in Game One, tied for a career-high. He is 6 for 6 in 2018.
- In Game Two, **Ethan Small** started and collected a career-high 10 punchouts through six innings pitched to earn his second quality start of the season.
- **Luke Alexander** crushed a two-run homer, his first of the season, to put the Bulldogs ahead 4-2 in the eighth inning.