• Germany beat Tunisia 3-0 to record two straight sets wins in a row at the World Championships for the first time since 2010, when they also recorded two consecutive wins in a row for the last time.
• Germany have won all five matches against teams from Africa in straight sets.
• Brazil defeat Canada 3-0 to clinch their fifth win in a row against NORCECA teams. They had also won five in their previous 14 matches against North & Central American/Caribbean sides.
• Thailand profited from 28 errors by Mexico (on a total of 89 points) to clinch a 3-0 win. It was Thailand's first win at the 2014 World Championships and their second straight-sets win at the World Championship in history after a 3-0 victory against Croatia in 2010.
• Azerbaijan won 3-2 against Puerto Rico. Three of their four last wins at the World Championship have come in the deciding fifth set.
• Polina Rahimova scored 31 points in Azerbaijan's 3-2 win against Puerto Rico. It was the second time in three matches she scored 30+ points after 33 against Japan.
• Russia won their 16th World Championship match in a row, equaling their second-longest run set in 1962-70. Only between 1952 and 1962 they won more often (29 matches).
• Serbia have started with three wins for the third successive World Championship.
• Only Serbia and Russia have won their first three matches at the 2006, 2010 and 2014 World Championship.
• Cuba have lost their first three World Championship matches for the first time in all their 12 participations.
• Dominica Republic won in five sets after leading 2-0 for the first time. This was their sixth 5-set match at the World Championship, but their first in which they let their opponent come back to 2-2 after leading 2-0.
• Italy have won five successive World Championship matches in straight sets for the first time since 2006.
• United States became the only nation to win their first three matches in each of the last four World Championships (2002, 2006, 2010 and 2014).
• China opened their World Championship with three matches without losing a set for the first time since the 1990 World Championship.
• Bulgaria ended their five-match losing streak at the World Championship with a 3-2 win over Turkey.
• Bulgaria won a five-set match for the first time at the World Championship in 28 years, since beating Brazil in 1986.
• Italy, Brazil, China and Russia are the only nations left yet to lose a set at this World Championship.