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- Meeting with President of Jungwon University, Mr Ahn Byung Hwan
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- Attend the Safe Guard Festival organized by SSEDA Korea
- Meeting with the committee member of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation
- Meeting with Daejon Metropolitan City Councilor, Mr Kim Dong Sub
- Meeting with Daejon University Head Professor, Mr Kim Chang Whan
- Meeting with Dangun Parliamentarian Society, Mr Lee Gun Bong
- Meeting with Deputy Mayor of Gongju City, Mr Yu Byung Duk
- Meeting with Chungnam Provincial Assembly Chairman, Mr Yun Suk Woo
- Visit to Indong Fosil Museum, run by Medical Advisor for South Korea Pencak Silat Federation, Mr Park Jong Boo
- Conducted a Pencak Silat training session at Jungwon University
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Appointment Ceremony for South Korea Pencak Silat Federation Honorary President, Senator Yang Seung Jo and Chairman, Mr Park In Kyu

The South Korea Pencak Silat Federation (SKPSF), is led by Mr Hyungki Cho. Upon arrival, we headed straight to the Ministry of Health and Wellness to proceed with the appointment ceremony for SKPSF Honorary President and Chairman.

The newly appointed Honorary President, Senator Yang Seung Jo, is giving his full support for the development of Pencak Silat in South Korea and gives his full blessing for the sport. Senator Yang Seung Jo will work closely with the Chairman of SKPSF, Mr Park In Kyu, to introduce Pencak Silat in South Korea.
Senator Yang Seung Jo, Honorary President for South Korea Pencak Silat Federation

Receiving the Keris from Mr Sheik Alau’ddin Yacoob Marican, PBM

Mr Park In Kyu, Chairman for South Korea Pencak Silat Federation

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15th World Martial Arts Union (WoMAU) Congress – Donation Ceremony for Silat Museum

The World Martial Arts Union (WoMAU) has agreed and accepted the proposal to include Pencak Silat into the Martial Arts Museum located in Chungju City. During the 15th World Martial Arts Union Congress, attended by all member from across the globe, we proceeded with the donation ceremony for items to be on display.

President of WoMAU, Mr Chung Wha Tae, accepting the donation item from Mr Sheik Alau’ddin Yacoob Marican, PBM

President of SKPSF, Mr Hyungki Cho and Chairman of SKPSF, Mr Park In Kyu with Mr Sheik Alau’ddin Yacoob Marican, PBM

Members of World Martial Arts Union at 15th Annual General Meeting of World Martial Arts Union
Meeting with President of Jungwon University, Mr Ahn Byung Hwan

The Security Department of Jungwon University have been teaching Pencak Silat and Kali Arnis as the major martial arts for the students taking Self-Defence module. After introducing Pencak Silat as a sport, Mr Ahn Byung Hwan mentions that he will give full support to take up Pencak Silat as a sport, on top of having it as a Self-Defence module.
President of Jungwon University, Mr Ahn Byung Hwan

Sharing session with Freshman for Security Department
Attend the Opening Ceremony for 2016 Cheongju World Martial Arts Mastership

The Cheongju World Martial Arts Mastership has invited representative from Pencak Silat to attend the Opening Ceremony. It features 8 Martial Arts: Kendo, Muay Thai, Sambo, Taekwondo, Record Breaking, Horseback Archery, Kuresh and Judo.
Attend the Safe Guard Festival organized by SSEDA Korea

The Safe Guard Festival organized by SSEDA Korea promotes the Security and Body Guard department in South Korea. Visitors can try out the weapons and protection vest that Body Guards dons when on duty. Visitors can also raise questions on how Security and Body Guards handles different situations.

Mr Sheik Alau’ddin trying out one of the baton.
Meeting with Committee Member of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation

The meeting with committee member of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation went smoothly. The team have been working very closely together to further develop Pencak Silat and has contributed in the growth in popularity of Pencak Silat in the country.

Honorary Ambassador, Actor Ji Yoon Moon
Meeting with Daejon Metropolitan City Councillor, Mr Kim Dong Sub

One of the states that is practicing Pencak Silat, under the Supervision of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation is Daejon City. Therefore, we took the opportunity to meet up with the Daejon Metropolitan City Councillor, Mr Kim Dong Sub.

Mr Kim showed extreme interest in developing Pencak Silat further in Daejon City and will work very closely with Mr Hyungki Cho, President of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation. On top of that, he also offered Mr Hyungki Cho to use Daejon City to host future Pencak Silat Championship.

Mr Kim showing arts done by disabled children in Daejon City.
Tour around Mr Kim’s office building
Meeting with Daejon University Head Professor, Mr Kim Chang Whan

After getting positive reaction from Daejon Metropolitan City Councillor, Mr Kim Dong Sub, we headed straight to Daejon University to meet the Head Professor, Mr Kim Chang Whan, to start a Pencak Silat curriculum in Daejon University.

Daejon University is known for its sports facilities, thus establishing Pencak Silat will further popularise this sport. Mr Kim Chang Whan has agreed to set up the classes in the University and will prepare the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Daejon University and South Korea Pencak Silat Federation, under the supervision of Asian Pencak Silat Federation.

On top of that, Daejon University has offer their campus to host any future Pencak Silat event as they have all the facilities (*Including accommodation*) ready for use.

*Gift exchange between Daejon University and Asian Pencak Silat Federation*
Training Hall in Daejon University that is used by various Martial Arts for competitions
Meeting with Dangun Parliamentarian Society, Mr Lee Gun Bong

We paid a visit to the Advisor of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation, Mr Lee Gun Bong. The trip to Dangun Parliamentarian Society, Mr Lee Gun Bong’s office, was a success. The Dangun Palace is well known in South Korea and has hosted many festivals that showcases Martial Arts Performance.

Mr Lee Gun Bong will invite South Korea Pencak Silat Federation to take part in their next festival to showcase the growing sport in South Korea.

Exchanging greetings between Mr Lee Gun Bong and Mr Sheik Alau’ddin
Meeting with Deputy Mayor of Gongju City, Mr Yu Byung Duk

The Headquarter of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation is located in Gongju City. We took the opportunity to meet with the Deputy Mayor of Gongju City, Mr Yu Byung Duk. Mr Yu Byung Duk attended to us and explains the procedure of running a federation in Gongju City.
Meeting with Chungnam Provincial Assembly Chairman, Mr Yun Suk Woo

The meeting with Chungnam Provincial Assembly Chairman, Mr Yun Suk Woo was a success as we manage to discuss on expanding Pencak Silat throughout South Korea. The response from Mr Yun Suk Woo is very promising as he is also the Assembly Chairman for South Korea. Mr Yun Suk Woo was very accommodating and even offered to have another meeting with us to further discuss on how we can work towards achieving the goals.
Visit to Indong Fossil Museum, run by Medical Advisor for South Korea Pencak Silat Federation, Mr Park Jong Boo

Mr Park Jong Boo is very well known in the sporting arena in South Korea. He is known to treat injured athletes who was about to compete, and also assisting in winning Medals for the country.

South Korea Pencak Silat Federation took the initiative to appoint Mr Park Jong Boo as the Medical Advisor. We visited the Indong Fossil Museum, run by Mr Park Jong Boo himself and got ourselves introduced to the natural healing system.
Conducted a Pencak Silat training session at Jungwon University

Jungwon University has put aside 2 hours for Mr Sheik to conduct a Pencak Silat training session with the students from the Security Department.
Attended Chungnam Provincial Multi Culture Association Hanmaeum Festival

We attended the Chungnam Provincial Multi Culture Association Hanmaeum Festival before leaving South Korea. At the festival, Mr Sheik was invited to give a speech on the Malay Culture, particularly on Pencak Silat. The response from the audience was great as they showed interest in learning more about Pencak Silat.
Conclusion

In conclusion, the trip to South Korea was a great success. Not only did APSIF get many positive response towards establishing Pencak Silat further in other states of South Korea, we manage to secure Pencak Silat as a sport to be competed in the 11th International Martial Arts Championship hosted by Korean Martial Arts Institute (KMI).

The competition will be held from 14th to 16th October 2016 in Pyeongtaek City, South Korea. The meeting we held with KMI concluded that we manage to open up 9 weight categories for the championship.

APSIF would like to thank Mr Hyungki Cho, President of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation, Mr Park In Kyu, Chairman of South Korea Pencak Silat Federation and other committee members for the well hospitality.