



ASIAN PENCAK SILAT FEDERATION

APSIF to Turkmenistan
19 June to 02 July 2016

Agenda:

- Meeting with Chairman of State Committee For Sport of Turkmenistan, Mr Sedov Kakabay
- Meeting with Secretary General of National Olympic Committee of Turkmenistan, Mr Azat Muradov
- Upcoming Courses – Coaching, Referee/Jury and Competition Secretariat Course

Purpose of Visit to Turkmenistan

The main purpose of Mr Sheik Alau'ddin Yacoob Marican, PBM, visit to Turkmenistan was for the 2016 Asian Championship Gores & Belt Wrestling Competition held from 22 to 27 June 2016.



Throughout the stay in Turkmenistan, Mr Sheik took the opportunity to meet up with the Chairman of State Committee For Sport of Turkmenistan and Secretary General of National Olympic Committee of Turkmenistan to discuss on Pencak Silat progress in Turkmenistan.

Items discussed:-

- Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017
- Upcoming Seminar and Course for Pencak Silat in Turkmenistan

Meeting with Chairman of State Committee for Sport of Turkmenistan, Mr Sedov Kakabay

The meeting with Sports Minister of Turkmenistan was to discuss on inclusion of Pencak Silat to Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan.

However, we did not manage to secure a spot for Pencak Silat for the Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017 as the committee have finalised the event before Mr Sheik's arrival.

Although we are not able to get into Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017, the response from the Sports Minister was positive and mentions that he will support and gave his blessings for the sport Pencak Silat in Turkmenistan.



Meeting with Secretary General of National Olympic Committee of Turkmenistan, Mr Azat Muradov

The meeting with Mr Azat Muradov, Secretary General of National Olympic Committee of Turkmenistan, was a success. Mr Azat responded positively and will give his blessings for Turkmenistan Pencak Silat Federation.

Turkmenistan Pencak Silat Federation will work very closely with the National Olympic Committee of Turkmenistan to include Pencak Silat as a recognised sport in Turkmenistan.



Picture with Mr Orif Bukharov, President of Turkmenistan Pencak Silat Federation

Coaching, Referee/Jury and Competition Secretariat Course

Asian Pencak Silat Federation (APSIF), will be sending a team to conduct the sessions. The team will consist of International Referee/Jury from Singapore Silat Federation as a lecturer, an athlete from Singapore Silat Federation as the demonstrator (*peraga*) and an Administrative Staff from APSIF.

Conclusion

APSIF visit to Turkmenistan went well. Despite not being able to include Pencak Silat in the Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017, APSIF manage to get positive response and support for the expansion of Pencak Silat in Turkmenistan.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank every party that is involved for their support and sincere assistance in making this a success.