



11th SOUTH ASIAN GAMES DHAKA 2010

Jan 29-Feb 9



Message

**PRESIDENT
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH
DHAKA**

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I am delighted to learn that the 11th South Asian Games is going to be held in Dhaka from 29 January to 09 February 2010 with great enthusiasm and fervour.

Sports and games play an important role in boosting and consolidating mutual friendships and amity among the participating countries. It also helps to elevate a country to a great height and familiarizes all over the world. I believe the athletes of the Games would uphold the motto of Olympic and show their best performances in the participating events. I congratulate all participating athletes from eight countries, members of the organizing committee, patrons, and well-wishers for their sincere endeavour. I believe the 11th South Asian Games will be able to uphold friendship and cooperation among the people of this region.

I wish the 11th South Asian Games a success.

Khoda Hafez, May Bangladesh Live Forever.

Md. Zillur Rahman

At a Glance

11th SOUTH ASIAN GAMES DHAKA 2010

Chief Patron: SHEIKH HASINA
Honourable Prime minister
People's Republic of Bangladesh

Chairman of the Organizing Committee: Abul Maal A. Muhith, MP
Finance Minister
People's Republic of Bangladesh

Co-Chairman of the Organizing Committee: Md. Ahad Ali Sarkar
State Minister, Ministry of Youth & Sports
People's Republic of Bangladesh

SAOC and BOA President: General Abdul Mubin, NDC, PSC

SAOC and BOA Secretary General: Kutubuddin Ahmed

Host Country: Bangladesh

Host Organization: Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA)

Opening Date: 29 January, 2010
Closing Date: 09 February, 2010

Participating Countries: 8

Athletes	: 2193
Officials	: 718
Disciplines	: 23
Gold Medals	: 151
Venues	: 19
Sub Committees	: 21

Logo: Flying Doel
Mascot: Kutum (Doel)

Bangladesh Olympic Association

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**PRIME MINISTER
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH**

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It is a great pleasure for me to welcome the sportspersons of South Asian countries in Dhaka for the 11th South Asian Games scheduled for 29 January to 09 February 2010. I am certain that it will not only be a memorable event for the participating athletes and organizers but also a great occasion for the sports-loving people of the subcontinent. I appreciate the efforts of Bangladesh Olympic Association, concerned government officials, private organizations and media partners to make the largest regional sports meet a success.

The Games, I hope, will greatly help strengthen the bond of fraternity, friendship and solidarity in the region.

I wish the event a grand success.

**Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu
May Bangladesh Live Forever**

Sheikh Hasina

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The Olympic movement demonstrates the goal of triumph of the human spirit and promotion of the philosophy of life that believes in peaceful progress, in competition with good will and comradeship and in high esteem for universally accepted ethical principles. In this spirit we are organizing the 11th South Asian Games 2010.

From 29th January to 9th February 2010 SAF Games will be held in Bangladesh. It is a great honour and privilege for the people, government and the Olympic Association of Bangladesh to be entrusted with the responsibility of organizing it. We are determined to uphold the lofty ideals of the Olympic culture. And we want the 11th SA Games to be staged with dignity and splendour. I hope in the days ahead there will be ample evidence of how much we have been able to live up to the trust.

I express my deep gratitude to the Honourable Prime Minister and Chief Patron of the Games, Sheikh Hasina, for providing us encouragement, advice and guidance in our endeavour. Her support made it possible for all of us to work in an extremely favourable atmosphere with dedicated team spirit.

I welcome all participating players, officials and dignitaries and hope their stay in Dhaka will be enjoyable and memorable. I hope, contestants at the Games will display a high level of sportsmanship and demonstrate their skills to the best of their respective abilities. I am sure the 11th South Asian Games, 2010, will add a new dimension to South Asian sports and bring the participating nations even closer - in the spirit of fraternity and excellence.

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the valued sponsors and partners for coming forward to support the Games. We have tried to organize the Games with participation of all people in the country from the outlying areas and from all walks of life. I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the members of the organizing committee, different sub-committees, volunteers, liaison officers, the armed forces division and all the services for their incessant and worthy efforts to make the greatest show of the region a grand success. I acknowledge a debt of gratitude to the Souvenir Committee for their hard work in producing an attractive moments of the event.

Finally I pay a tribute to the spirit of partnership displayed by all and the team spirit of all the organisers.

I wish the Games a grand success.

Abul Maal A. Muhith, MP
Chairman, Organising Committee
11th South Asian Games, 2010, Dhaka
Finance Minister
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

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It is a matter of great pleasure for all of us to host the 11th SA Games 2010, to be held from 29th January to 9th February at Dhaka. Over 2000 athletes of eight South Asian countries are participating in this largest sporting event of South Asia.

I express my sincere gratitude to the honorable Prime Minister and the Chief Patron of this Game Sheikh Hasina, whose interest, guidance and patronization has been a constant source of inspiration in accomplishing our task in a most befitting manner. I also recall with gratefulness our honourable Finance Minister Mr. A.M.A Muhit for his valuable advice and contribution as the chairman of the organizing committee.

This is the biggest sporting event of this region; the players will avail of this great opportunity to display their best skills and techniques that would enthrall the billions of spectators of the South Asian countries and the whole world.

I take this opportunity in welcoming the every member of the participating teams, officials and other dignitaries and sincerely hope, their brief stay at Dhaka will be filled with joy and hospitality.

I convey my heartfelt thanks to BOA, Members of the Organizing Committee and Sub-Committees for their relentless endeavors in order to hold this Game properly and smoothly.

I wish the complete success of the 11th SA Games 2010.

Md. Ahad Ali Sarkar
State Minister
Ministry of Youth & Sports
Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

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Bangladesh is the proud host of 11th South Asian (SA) Games, the extravaganza of the decade scheduled with effect from 29 January 2010 to 09 February 2010. Bangladesh is hosting South Asian meet for the third time.

The modern world is using sports as a platform for moving major concerns of mankind. Sports in South Asia can be the harbinger rousing united movement for fighting common concern of the people of this region.

In the year 1984 five disciplines were held in 1st SA Games. 26 years later there are twenty three disciplines with more than two thousand participants. The games will help build bridges of amity, friendship and goodwill between the peoples of South Asia. This will lead to further cementing existing bond of camaraderie, strengthen the solidarity and renew the relations among the neighbours.

On this momentous occasion I would like to thank our Chief Patron Honourable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, whose keen interest in sports, continued support and unbridled guidance made us reach thus far. My gratitude to the President of 11th SA Games Organizing Committee, a veteran sportsman and organizer, for his dynamic leadership to make 11th SA Games reach a successful finale. My appreciation remains for the Ministry of Youth and Sports and all related organizations and personalities for their admirable and enterprising effort in this venture. My special thanks to our valued partners and sponsors, whose support and collaboration have created the atmosphere for holding such a regional mega event.

I wish 11th SA Games a resounding success.

General Md Abdul Mubeen, NDC, PSC
President
South Asia Olympic Council and
Bangladesh Olympic Association

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Olympism uses sports to promote the balanced development of people as an essential step in building a peaceful society that places a high value on human dignity

Sports can play a vital role in bringing unity and peace by removing differences among nations, culture, religion and race. It is a powerful way of empowering people for International sports movement, Olympic movement and Regional integration.

To achieve these goals Bangladesh is hosting the 11th South Asian Games from 29th January to 9th February 2010. It is a great honour and privilege for Bangladeshi people, Government and Bangladesh Olympic Associations.

My sincere gratitude to the Government of Bangladesh and all other members of the Organizing committee for their continuous support and cooperation. My special thanks to our partners and valued sponsors for their unconditional support. I am very much thankful to the National Federations, athletes, coaches, officials, organizers and managers for their whole-hearted support and cooperation.

My heartfelt thanks to the distinguished delegate, athletes and officials from different South Asian countries for their continuous support. We hope that they will return home with happy memories from Bangladesh.

Finally, I express my sincere gratitude to the "People of Bangladesh" who supported and encouraged us to host this regional mega event. I believe that the people of South Asian countries will joyously celebrate the game.

Kutubuddin Ahmed
Secretary General
South Asia Olympic Council and
Bangladesh Olympic Association

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I wish the Games a grand success.

