

Special Olympics World Games 2015

The 2015 Special Olympics World Games with 7000 athletes and 2000 coaches representing 177 countries– being staged in Los Angeles July 25-August 2, 2015 – was the largest sports and humanitarian event anywhere in the world in 2015, and the single biggest event in Los Angeles since the 1984 Olympic Games.

The Special Olympics movement was founded in 1968 and its mission is to create a better world by fostering the acceptance and inclusion of all people through the power of sport and empower people with intellectual disabilities to become accepted and valued members of their communities.

Four athletes along with the Afghanistan Special Olympic Representative, Mr. Abdul Karim Azizi represented Afghanistan in the Special Olympic Games 2015 in Los Angeles and had tremendous achievements.

The Consulate General of Afghanistan in Los Angeles attended all the Afghanistan games and the medals were handed out to the winners by Mr. Haroon Habibi, the Afghan Consul General at the end of the ceremony.

The Afghan athletes won 4 gold medals and 3 silver medals during the 7 day games.

- Mohammad, secured the first place at 100M run and Shotput-Men
- Qais secured the first place at 50M run and second place at Long Jump
- Zohal, secured the first place at 50M run and second place at SoftBall Throw
- Samiullah, secured the second place in Bocce

<http://www.la2015.org/results?delegationID=Afghanistan>

The Consulate General of Afghanistan in Los Angeles held a reception in honor of the Afghan Special Olympic delegation on 4th August.



Consul General of Afghanistan, Mr. Haroon Habibi with Afghan Special Olympic delegation during one of the games.



The Special Olympics World Games Opening Ceremony was held at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum



Mr. Haroon Habibi congratulating Zohal on securing the second place at Softball Throw



Mr. Haroon Habibi handing out the medal to the winner



Mr. Haroon Habibi with the Afghan Special Olympic athletes



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Said Samiullah during a bocce match at the Special Olympics in Los Angeles



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The Afghan Special Olympic delegation were invited to the Afghan Consulate General.



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