

MISSION:

To provide year–round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic–type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 1994

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2017 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners: 66,396 Coaches: 3366 Competition opportunities: 1281

GOAL:

To reach 75,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2020

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- Special Olympics World Winter Games 2017, Austria.
- Special Olympics MENA Games 2018, Abu Dhabi.
- Special Olympics Unified Football Cup 2018, Chicago, USA.
- 59 athletes competed in the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA Participation in the 2013 Asia Pacific Games in Newcastle, Australia
- 16 athletes competed in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea Participation in the 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress, Marrakech, Morocco
- Participation in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai China
- Participation in the 2009 Special Olympics International Cricket Cup Carnival and hosted Special Olympics Bharat for friendly Cricket matches.

SUPPORT:

Funding provided by Special Olympics International and donations by Directors of Special Olympics Bangladesh, Paragon Group, Bashundhara Group, New Asia Ltd. BAB, NOC Bangladesh.

OTHER:

Special Olympics Bangladesh has signed Memorandum of Agreement with Bangladesh Lions Foundation, BFF, BKSP.

11 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton	Basketball
Bocce	Cricket	Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)
Handball	Table Tennis	Volleyball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:

Athlete Leadership, Family Support Network (FSN), Young Athletes Program, Healthy Athletes Program, Healthy Community, Fitness Program, MATP.



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