



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 2003 with 12 athletes

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners: 2,488
 Coaches: 158
 Competition opportunities: 401

GOAL:

To reach 3,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2016

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 6 athletes competed in the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 13 athletes participated in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 13 delegates participated in the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Boise, Idaho, USA
- 14 Members participated in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China
- Successfully held the First-Ever Special Olympics Afghanistan National Games, in August 2005 for approximately 200-300 athletes. In addition, it hosted a Med Fest enabling some athletes to have a medical examination for the first time
- Special Olympics Afghanistan competed in several World Games and the 2006 Asia Pacific Cricket Tournament in Mumbai, India
- Participated in Uzbekistan National Games (2007) and Australia Youth Games (2008)

SUPPORT:

Funding provided by Special Olympics International. Various supporters and aid groups in Afghanistan provide episodic funding and in-kind donations

12 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics	Basketball	Bocce	Cricket
Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)	Snowshoeing	Softball
Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball	Snowshoeing

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