TAJIKISTAN FACT SHEET

Special Olympics

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 1990

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	10,355
Coaches:	163
Competitions:	32

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (4 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (4 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (11 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (16 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (2 athletes)
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13 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton	Bocce
Cross Country Skiing	Cycling	Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)
Gymnastics, Artistic	Judo	Table Tennis	Tennis
Volleyball			

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:
Athlete Leadership, Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Young Athletes

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