

**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:**

Special Olympics National de Timor Leste officially applied for Founding Committee status in April 2007

**PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):**

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	508
Coaches:	80
Competition opportunities:	2

**GOAL:**

To reach 800 athletes and participants by the end of 2015

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 9 athletes competed in the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 1 athlete participated in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China
- Participation in the 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress, Marrakech, Morocco
- Participation in the 2013 Asia Pacific Games in Newcastle, Australia

**SUPPORT:**

- Special Olympics International
- Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare
- Ministry of Youth and Sports
- Federation Timor Leste De Atletismo
- Catholic Church (Archbishop)
- MOU with Football Federation of Timor Leste (FFTL)

**3 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Athletics, Bocce and Football (Soccer)

**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Young Athletes

**EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

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