Tokyo performance stepping stone for promising future, says Sheikh Joaan

The QOC president highlights Qatar's best Olympic haul, the efforts that helped achieve it and the progress it represents

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The President of the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani observed that Qatar's historic achievement in the 32nd Olympic Games, Tokyo 2020, of winning two gold medals and a bronze in 11 sports over a period of 11 days is a significant step towards Qatar's sporting success.

Qatar's performance in Tokyo also set a new benchmark for the nation's sporting development, with the QOC president expressing his pride in the achievements of the Olympic athletes.

Qatar has participated in many Olympic Games, but how do you see Qatar's benefits from those participations and their impact on Qatar sport?

Qatar's first appearance at the Olympic Games was in Los Angeles 1984, and the nation has been represented at every Games since then. In 2020, Qatar's President, H.E. Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, led the Qatari delegation to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, which were held in Japan.

The QOC president noted that Qatar has made significant progress in improving its performance at the Olympic Games over the years, with the nation's athletes achieving a number of notable results.

Sheikh Joaan praised the athletes' hard work and dedication, as well as the support provided by the QOC and other stakeholders.

The QOC president also highlighted the importance of the Olympic Games in promoting Qatar's sports development and enhancing its reputation on the international stage.

How did you achieve this unprecedented success at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by winning two gold medals and a bronze?

The success at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games was a result of the QOC's strategic approach and the dedication of the Qatari athletes and coaches.

The QOC has implemented a long-term plan to develop Qatar's sports infrastructure and talent, with a focus on Olympic disciplines.

Sheikh Joaan said: "Our athletes have shown a great deal of determination and resilience in their pursuit of success, and the QOC has played a crucial role in providing the necessary support for their development.

The QOC has also invested in state-of-the-art facilities and training programs, which have helped to improve the athletes' performances.

Furthermore, the QOC has collaborated with international federations and other countries to provide opportunities for Qatari athletes to train and compete at the highest level.

These efforts have paid off, with 19 Qatar athletes (11 men and eight women) competing in 11 sports, including athletics, swimming, weightlifting, swimming, sailing, and athletics.

The QOC has also worked closely with the Qatar Olympic Committee to ensure that the athletes have the necessary support and resources to succeed in the Olympic Games.

The Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games were a huge achievement for Qatar, with the nation's athletes impressing the world with their performances in various disciplines.

The QOC's strategy paid off, as Qatar's athletes delivered a historic performance, winning two gold medals and a bronze in the 32nd Olympic Games.

Sheikh Joaan added: "This success is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our athletes, the QOC's strategic approach, and the strong support provided by the Qatari government.

The QOC has set a new benchmark for Qatar's sporting performance, and we are determined to build on this success in future Olympic Games.

Our athletes have shown that they are capable of competing at the highest level, and we are confident that they will continue to excel in future Olympic Games.

The QOC president concluded: "We are proud of our athletes and the QOC's efforts in achieving this historic success. We will continue to support our athletes and strive for even greater achievements in the future."

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‘2030 Asian Games will be a more memorable event’

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Qatar has made great strides in preparation for the upcoming 2030 Asian Games in the country, which is set to be the first time the event has been held in the Middle East.

Qatar has embarked on a massive infrastructure project to build the necessary facilities for the games, including sports venues, hotels, and transportation systems. The country has also invested heavily in developing its sports facilities, with the aim of becoming a leading destination for international sports events.

The 2030 Asian Games will be held in Doha, Qatar, from September 20 to October 11. The event will feature a total of 25 sports, including 10 team sports and 15 individual sports.

According to the Asian Olympic Committee, the 2030 Asian Games will be the largest multi-sport event in the region, with around 7,000 athletes expected to participate.

The event will be hosted by the Qatar Olympic Committee, which has been preparing for the games for several years. The committee has already begun construction work on the new sports venues and is currently focusing on finalizing the details of the event.

Qatar has also been working closely with the Asian Olympic Committee to ensure that the event runs smoothly and is a success. The country has been actively involved in the planning and preparations for the games, with the aim of providing a world-class experience for the athletes and spectators.

In addition to the sporting events, Qatar has also been working on developing the cultural and social aspects of the games. The country has been promoting its rich cultural heritage and has been organizing various cultural events and activities to attract visitors from around the world.

The 2030 Asian Games will be a significant milestone in Qatar’s history, and the country is looking forward to hosting the event with pride and joy. The event will not only boost the local economy but will also provide a platform for the country to showcase its achievements and promote its image on the global stage.

In conclusion, the 2030 Asian Games in Qatar are set to be a memorable event that will bring together athletes from around the world, showcasing their skills and promoting international understanding and friendship. The event will be a testament to Qatar’s commitment to sports and its ability to organize large-scale events with precision and professionalism.
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Qatar set to deliver largest volunteer activation in FIFA World Cup history

By Home Affairs Manager

When the FIFA World Cup arrived in the Middle East for the first time in 2022, a crucial component of the event’s success was the role of volunteers. In total, 371,000 volunteers were deployed at 25 volunteer centers in the five cities that hosted FIFA World Cup Qatar (2022) facilities. These volunteers performed a wide range of tasks, from helping with security and transport to assisting fans and tourists.

While most of the volunteers were engaged in traditional roles, a database of volunteers has been created to support volunteering initiatives beyond the World Cup. This includes supporting other FIFA events, as well as other international events held in Qatar.

The database includes details of volunteers’ skills, experiences, and availability, allowing organizers to match them with tasks that best suit their abilities. This system is intended to support volunteering initiatives throughout the year, not just during the World Cup.

The Qatar National Volunteer Program has been a key part of this initiative. Since its launch, it has registered more than 10,000 individuals, with a further 4,000 volunteers expected to join in the coming months.

The program is expected to play a significant role in future events in Qatar and beyond, helping to ensure that the country’s volunteers are well-prepared and equipped to support a wide range of initiatives.

Qatar triathlon team prep for Asian Cup

Team is in Slovenia along with a developmental squad with an eye on future

By Sports Correspondent

Members of the Qatar national triathlon team have arrived in Slovenia for some training and competition as part of the team’s preparation for the Asian Championships.

The team’s arrival was made possible through a grant from the Singapore Triathlon Federation (STF), which has been instrumental in developing the sport in Qatar. The STF has provided valuable support to the Qatar triathlon team, helping to fund their training and competition expenses.

The team arrived at the International Triathlon Union (ITU) World Cup in Slovenia, where they will have the opportunity to compete against some of the world’s best triathletes. The ITU World Cup is one of the most prestigious events in the triathlon calendar, attracting athletes from around the world.

The team will be joined by a developmental squad, which will also benefit from the training and competition opportunities provided by the STF. The squad’s primary focus will be on developing young talent and preparing them for future international competitions.

The Qatar triathlon team’s arrival in Slovenia is a significant step in their preparation for the Asian Championships and beyond. The team is determined to perform at its best and make the country proud.

Their presence in Slovenia is not just about competing but also about learning from some of the world’s best triathletes. The experience gained from this trip will be invaluable for their future performances.

The Qatar triathlon team will be under the guidance of their coach, who will ensure that they are well-prepared for the challenges they will face. The team is confident that they will perform well and bring home some impressive results.

The support from the STF and the International Triathlon Union has been instrumental in the team’s success. The team is grateful for their support and is determined to make the most of this opportunity.

The Qatar triathlon team’s trip to Slovenia is a testament to the country’s commitment to developing the sport of triathlon. The team’s success will not only bring pride to the country but also set a benchmark for future generations of triathletes.