

HPHC Asia Pacific: Phnom Penh Hosts Cambodia's Tong Il Moo Do National Championship 2023

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From December 27 to 30, 2023, Phnom Penh's National Olympic Stadium was the venue for the Tong Il Moo Do National Championship 2023. Organized by the Cambodian Tong Il Moo Do Federation in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport, the event featured 64 athletes and attracted over 100 attendees. Beyond a mere competition, the event incorporated HJ Character Education based on the Principle of True Love, encompassing the Principle of Dual Characteristics, Give and Take Action, Higher Purpose, 3 orderly Stages of Growth, and Freedom with Responsibility. The participants of Tong Il Moo Do (TIMD) aim to achieve three life goals: developing mature character, building a happy and ideal family, and contributing to society. This program receives financial support from the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport.

During the fourth term (2022-2026) of the Federation, Dr. Joon Ho Seuk, founder of the World Tong Il Moo Do Federation, highlighted the importance of Hyo Jeong Character Education, which fosters both spiritual and physical strength. Dr. Seuk's vision includes introducing TIMD to future Olympic Games as a means of promoting global peace, a concept initiated by Dr. Sun Myung Moon.

Achieving this goal requires backing from the World Federation and recognition by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

The closing ceremony, with over 150 attendees, featured speeches by H.E. Chey Chap, President of the Cambodian Federation, and Dr. Seuk as the keynote speaker. Dr. Seuk recalled the 40th Anniversary of Tong-II Moo-Do on August 28, 2019, when Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon emphasized Father and Mother Moon's dedication in fostering young people and nations to become virtuous leaders. He underscored the significance of inheriting the passionate spirit of the True Parents among TIMD leaders.

Dr. Seuk emphasized teaching the true essence of TIMD, rooted in Unification Thought, which espouses values such as love for God and humanity, coexistence, mutual prosperity, ethical integrity, and true family values. It advocates for the principles of True Parents, True Teacher, and True Owner.

TIMD uniquely blends various martial arts, combining circular and linear movements, enhancing techniques, and introducing exclusive TIMD motions like Wongu (Wonhwa) Tong-II motion, Pyunghwa Eui Bon motion, Chamsarang Eui Bon motion, and Wang Kwon Eui Bon motion (II).

Concluding, Dr. Seuk referred to 2024 as the year of the Dragon, symbolizing hope and courage.

He encouraged resilience and discipline for success in the upcoming year, wishing for the well-being of families, communities, and the nation, and envisioning the realization of Heavenly Cambodia.