



**JOINT STATEMENT OF THE  
SIXTH ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING ON SPORTS  
(AMMS-6)**

*28 October 2021, Videoconference*

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*The Sixth ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Sports was held on 28 October 2021 via videoconference, chaired by Singapore.*

1. We **congratulate** Singapore for its assumption of the AMMS chairship and **extend** our full support for the successful delivery of priorities.
2. We **note with satisfaction** the achievements made through the implementation of the ASEAN Work Plan on Sports 2016-2020 through activities at the national, regional and international level.
3. Towards an active ASEAN Community where sports serves as an essential means in advancing socio-cultural development and promoting peace, we **adopt** the ASEAN Work Plan on Sports 2021-2025, completed under Singapore's SOMS Chairship and with the support of all ASEAN Member States, with five priority areas: (i) Sports' Contribution to Key Development Outcomes and Peace; (ii) Promotion of Healthy Lifestyle through Sports Participation and Physical Activities; (iii) Professional Capacity Development, Sports Integrity and Sports Science; (iv) Promoting ASEAN Awareness through Sports Activities, Sports Tourism and Sports Industry; and (v) Resource Mobilisation, Partner Engagement, and Monitoring and Evaluation for ASEAN Cooperation on Sports. We **note** the progress of the work plan implementation in 2021 under the leadership of ASEAN Member States of their respective programmes.
4. We **welcome** the official establishment of partnership with the Commonwealth Secretariat, with focus on the contribution of sports to sustainable development. We **look forward** to the completion of the monitoring and evaluation framework of the ASEAN Work Plan on Sports 2021-2025, and **thank** the Commonwealth Secretariat and UNESCO for the support rendered in aligning the priorities of the Work Plan with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and Kazan Action Plan.
5. We **express appreciation** towards the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and the Football Associations of ASEAN Member States for the strong support rendered throughout the implementation of Joint Public Awareness-Raising Campaigns in the Context of COVID-19 under the auspices of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between ASEAN and FIFA signed in 2019, namely: #BeActive,

#FiveSteps, and #ReachOut. We **thank** all the football legends and players who have contributed to these campaigns and strongly supported the effort of the ASEAN sports sector in promoting healthy and active lifestyles and mental health awareness amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

6. In line with the MoU between ASEAN and FIFA, we **look forward** to further our cooperation with FIFA in four areas of cooperation, namely: (i) Promotion of Sports Integrity; (ii) Sports for Development; (iii) FIFA's Football for School Programme; and (iv) Professional Capacity Building. Towards this end, we **adopt** the ASEAN-FIFA Collaboration Plan 2021-2022. We **note with appreciation** the completion of activities on Good Governance in Football, Anti-Doping and Misuse of Substances in Football, as well as Promoting Healthy and Active Lifestyles, and **look forward** to the implementation of activities scheduled for the remaining period.

7. We **reaffirm** our support for the commitment of Thailand to lead the preparation for the FIFA World Cup 2034 joint bid by ASEAN. We **adopt** the Terms of Reference of the Technical Working Group for ASEAN's Joint Bid for the World Cup 2034 and **look forward** to the convening of its first meeting.

8. We **resolve** to strengthen our cooperation on sports through collaboration with relevant partners and mobilisation of resources. We **welcome** the initiative of Brunei Darussalam's 2021 ASEAN Chairmanship to explore the possibility of expanding SOMS+1 mechanisms and **note with appreciation** the support of China for this endeavour. We **look forward** to the establishment of SOMS+China and AMMS+China in 2022. Along the same vein, we **in principle agree** to establish the ASEAN Sports Fund to support the implementation of the ASEAN Work Plan on Sports by ASEAN Member States, ASEAN Entities, and community sports organisations through resource mobilisation.

9. Towards evidence-based policy-making and programme formulation in sports, we **note with appreciation** the progress of the 1<sup>st</sup> Report of the ASEAN Physical Fitness (APFI) and **welcome** the completion of Active Citizens Worldwide (ACW) Research Study on the Socio-Economic Value of Sports, led by Singapore. We **look forward** to the launch of the reports of both studies.

10. In light of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, we **congratulate** the contingents of ASEAN Member States for their remarkable collective achievements with 48 medals count involving 50 athletes from six member states. To celebrate as One Community, we **look forward** to the Tribute to Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Medallists on 3 December at ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia and through videoconference.

11. Recognising the importance of providing our athletes with more competition opportunities at the ASEAN level before they compete at the regional and international levels by aligning the sports played at the Southeast Asian Games with those at the Asian and Olympic Games, we **adopt** the *Joint Statement of ASEAN Sports Ministers on Cementing Strong Foundation for ASEAN Athletes at the Southeast Asian Games*.

12. We **reaffirm** our strong stance against doping in sports by fully supporting the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the ASEAN and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and **note** that Malaysia is in the process of completing the domestic procedure in this matter and will revert to the ASEAN Secretariat in due course.

13. We **support** the activities initiated by our partner organisations, Southeast Asia Regional Anti-Doping Organisation (SEARADO), UNESCO, the Right to Play, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and **thank** their contribution for the advancement of sports cooperation in the region. We **look forward** to stronger collaborations under the ASEAN Work Plan on Sports 2021-2025.

14. We **welcome** Thailand as the incoming Chair of AMMS and agreed to meet again at AMMS-7 in Thailand in 2023. We **express** appreciation to Singapore for its leadership as Chair and Host of the AMMS-6.

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**LIST OF MINISTERS/ HEADS OF DELEGATION**  
**ATTENDING THE AMMS-6**  
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<b><i>Brunei Darussalam</i></b>	<b>H.E. Major General (Retired) Dato Paduka Seri Haji Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin</b> Minister Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports
<b><i>Cambodia</i></b>	<b>H.E. Sabayna Sok</b> Under Secretary of State Sport and Department of Information and ASEAN Affairs Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport
<b><i>Indonesia</i></b>	<b>H.E. Gatot S. Dewa Broto</b> Secretary General Ministry of Youth and Sports
<b><i>Lao PDR</i></b>	<b>H.E. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Phout Simmalavong</b> Minister Ministry of Education and Sports
<b><i>Malaysia</i></b>	<b>H.E. Dato' Seri Ahmad Faizal Dato' Azumu</b> Minister Ministry of Youth and Sports
<b><i>Myanmar</i></b>	<b>H.E. Min Thein Zan</b> Union Minister Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs
<b><i>Philippines</i></b>	<b>H.E. William Ramirez</b> Chairman Philippine Sports Commission
<b><i>Singapore</i></b> <b><i>Chair</i></b>	<b>H.E. Edwin Tong</b> Minister Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth
<b><i>Thailand</i></b> <b><i>Vice-Chair</i></b>	<b>H.E. Phiphat Ratchakitprakarn</b> Minister Ministry of Tourism and Sports
<b><i>Viet Nam</i></b>	<b>H.E. Hoang Dao Cuong</b> Deputy Minister Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism