

Minutes of the 13th Asian Physics Olympiad New Delhi, India, May01-07, 2012

1. A total number of 156 contestants from the following 21 countries and regions were present at the 13th Asian Physics Olympiad (APhO):

Australia (8), Brunei (5), China (8), Hong Kong (8), India (8), Indonesia (8), Israel (7), Kazakhstan (8), Kyrgyzstan (8), Saudi Arabia (5), Malaysia (8), Mongolia (8), Nepal (4), Russia* (8), Singapore (8), Sri Lanka (7), Taiwan (8), Tajikistan (8), Turkmenistan (8), Thailand (8), Vietnam (8).

The number in parentheses denotes the number of the contestants.

* : invited as a guest team.

2. The Opening Ceremony was honored by the presence of Mr. Kapil Sibal, the Minister of Human Resource Development. He delivered opening remarks in the ceremony. Prof. Satya Prakesh, the President of Indian Association of Physics Teachers, on behalf of the local organizing committee welcomed the participants and delegates of the 13th APhO to India.
3. The Closing Ceremony was honored by presence of Dr. R. Chidambaram, the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India. He delivered closing remarks in the ceremony.
4. Results of marking the papers by the organizers were presented:
The best score was 43.60 points achieved by Mr. Wenjie Yao from China (Overall winner of the 13th APhO). The average score of the top three contestants was 42.57. The median score of all contestants was 19.90. The following criteria for awarding the medals and honorable mentions were established according to the Statutes of APhO:

Gold Medal	- 35
Silver Medal	- 31
Bronze Medal	- 25
Honorable Mention	- 19

According to the above criteria, 30 Gold Medals, 17 Silver Medals, 17 Bronze Medals and 17 Honorable Mentions were awarded.

The results of the 13th APhO were distributed to all the delegations.

5. In addition to the regular prizes, the following four special prizes were awarded:
 - for the overall winner
Mr. Wenjie Yao, China
 - for the best score in the theoretical examination
Mr. Shang Liu, China
 - for the best score in the experimental examination
Mr. Wenjie Yao, China
 - for the best student from newly participating country
Mr. Abdullah Alsalloum, Saudi Arabia

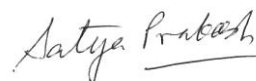
6. For the arrangement of hosting countries of future APhO, the Secretariat had consulted some delegation leaders and presented the following provisional list of hosting countries :
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| 2013 Indonesia | declared |
| 2014 Singapore | confirmed |
| 2015 China | confirmed |
| 2016 Hong Kong | orally confirmed |
| 2017 | (under consulting) |
| 2018 Vietnam | preliminary contact |
7. The following five leaders were invited by the President of APhO to serve as consultants to the local academic committee for revising and grading the examination papers :
- Prof. Eli Raz (Israel), Prof. Leong Chuan Kwek (Singapore), Prof. Hendra Kwee (Indonesia), Prof. The Khoi Nguyen (Vietnam), and Dr. Jake Glidden (Australia).
8. The International Board discussed a proposal submitted by Indonesian leader, Prof. Hendra Kwee, which suggested revising the current Statutes of APhO. With the approval of International Board, the President invited the following three persons to draft the revision of the Statutes of APhO:
- Prof. Leong Chuan Kwek (Singapore), Prof. Eli Raz (Israel), Prof. Hendra Kwee (Indonesia)
9. The President of APhO, Prof. Ming-Juey Lin, acting on behalf of all the participants, expressed deep thanks to Prof. Satya Prakesh (the President of IAPT), Prof. Vijay Singh (the Chairperson of Academic Committee) and Dr. Ravi Bhattacharjee (the Executive Secretary of the Organizing Committee) for excellent preparation and executing of the 13th Asian Physics Olympiad. Deep thanks were also conveyed to the Ministry of Human Resource Development of India, all the sponsors, organizers, graders, guides and other people who contributed to the success of the Olympiad.
10. Acting on behalf of the organizers of the next Asian Physics Olympiad, the representative of Indonesia delegation, Prof. Hendra Johnny Kwee, declared that the 14th APhO would be held in Bogor, Indonesia from May 5 to May13, 2013 and cordially invited all of the participating countries to attend the competition.



Prof. Ming-Juey Lin
President of APhO



Dr. Hendra Johnny Kwee
Secretary of APhO



Prof. Satya Prakash
President of IAPT

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