



# 1st INTER CONTINENTAL ASIA WUKO KARATE CHAMPIONSHIPS - WELFARE CUP 2008



At K.V.B.R. Indoor Stadium (A/C.) Yousufguda, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh India  
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Under the auspices of Andhra Pradesh Olympic Association

Organised by : **ALL INDIA BUDOKAN KARATE FEDERATION.**

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To  
All the Authorised Instructors of KBI,  
and other Karate Styles Enthusiasts  
within the country and abroad.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Trust this letter finds you in all the very best of health and high spirit. We are pleased to inform you that **1st Inter-Continental Asia WUKO Karate Championships - Welfare Cup 2008** was concluded most successfully without any unpleasant incident. We received information that all the participants who came from every nook and corner of the country and abroad reached safely to their respective destinations. More than 1,200 Karatekas participated in the said Championships. Besides our country the achievement which was gained by Iran, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Pakistan and Bangladesh was excellent. We have given 163 Gold Medals, 132 Silver Medals and 202 Bronze Medals to the winners totalling to 501. On the basis of Points India was declared 1st and got **Welfare Cup 2008 Trophy** while 1st runner up was Iran and 2nd runner up was Sri Lanka whom the Welfare Cup 2008 Trophies were awarded.

2. Mr. Osvaldo Messias de Oliveira, the President of WUKO came along with his team to supervise the Championships despite their multifarious activities at the global level.

3. Dr. Y.S. Rajashekhara Reddy, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh launched the Welfare Cup 2008 Trophy and the Championship was inaugurated by His Holiness Sri Sri Sri Swaroopanandendra Saraswathi Maha Swamy while Mr. Osvaldo Messias de Oliveira, declared open the Championships, Mr. Konathala Rama Krishna, Hon'ble Minister for Commercial Taxes addressed the gathering as a Chief Guest. Mr. M. Vijay Prasad and Mr. Suman, Cine Star were present in the stadium to welcome the dignitaries.

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4. A Souvenir was released on closing day depicting the features of the international Championships and useful and purposeful articles on Martial Arts and Photographs of the Championships.

5. Some people who turned Brutus from among our organisation tried to disrupt the Championships by their evil deeds and false propaganda. But the people who trust in our organisation and reposed confidence in us made negative their attempts and the Championship was concluded very successfully.

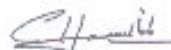
6. The Press media was keenly observing all the 4-Day Mega Meet and noted the criticism came from some group of people who do not do any thing and not allow others to do some thing. As a result the Hindu Daily Sports Correspondent contributed a report about this Championship in detail in their issue dated 11th Dec. 2008. The last two paragraphs of the report is more than enough to open their eyes who always criticise upon other's work and do not do anything by themselves. We would like to quote those two paragraphs of that report as follows :

"In the end the crowd response and that the whole show was hassle-free might well be indicators that karate is still very popular if only the spectators have a chance to witness some high quality bouts.

The inaugural Inter-Continental Asia WUKO Championship was a reminder that what was more important was organising events than merely fighting it out for posts to remain paper-heads."

7. We are thankful to all Karatekas from all over the country and abroad and extend to them all our best wishes and a grand success in their lives. We will be failing in our duty if we do not make a special mention of Mr. M. Vijay Prasad, Managing Director, Wellfare Group of Companies who sponsored richly and generously to make the Championships a grand success. We are deeply beholden to Mr. Sumun, Cine Star and Organizing Chairman whose timely and fruitful advice helped in organising this Mega event successfully. We thank our chief patron and patrons and all organising committee members whose untiring efforts make this event a memorable one. We also thank the Sports Authority of India, the Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh, A.P. Olympic Association, the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, the Govt. of India particularly the Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Games & Sports, The Municipal Corporation of Greater Hyderabad, the Police Dept., the Press Media and all others who have played their due role in making this Championships a grand success including the audience for their presence at the Championships, because without their support and encouragement the sporting event would not have been a success.

**Wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.**



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