

Press Release

SMM 3rd Asian Men's U23 Volleyball Championship kicks off

- Asia World Foundation is proud to support
- Myanmar will play against Sri Lanka, Australia and Hong Kong in Group A

Nay Pyi Taw – 3 August 2019 – In line with our corporate mission of supporting and bringing local communities together, **Asia World Foundation** - the charitable arm of Asia World Group of Companies together with our subsidiaries Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (“**YAACL**”), Pioneer Aerodrome Services (“**PAS**”), Global World Insurance (“**GWI**”), Horizon Lake View Resort and Myat Taw Win Hotel - is proud to be the main sponsor for the SMM 3rd Asian “Asia World Foundation” Men’s U23 Volleyball Championship.

Organized by the Ministry of Health and Sports and the Myanmar Volleyball Federation, the tournament starts from 3rd to 11th August at the Wunna Theikdi Indoor Stadium, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar. The opening ceremony was officiated by Dr. Mya Lay Sein, Deputy Minister for Health and Sports this morning.



Myanmar and Hong Kong teams playing the opening match of the SMM 3rd Asian Men's U23 Volleyball Championship



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Total of 16 teams to compete for the top of the podium in Nay Pyi Taw

This year, a total of 16 teams from Australia, Bahrain, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Thailand will be competing against each other for the top of the podium.

Myanmar, the host of the tournament will play with Sri Lanka, Australia and Hong Kong in Group A according to the draw results. Japan, Kazakhstan, Saudi Arabia and Vietnam Teams in Group B, Chinese Taipei, Pakistan, Qatar, and Bahrain Teams in Group C and Thailand, China, India and New Zealand Teams are in Group D respectively.

Deputy Minister for Health and Sports Dr. Mya Lay Sein said “This championship will definitely play a very positive role in further promoting the interest and development of volleyball in our country and the region. I firmly believe that this championship will be an unforgettable, exciting, and vibrant event. Strong and lasting friendship will be evolved not only amongst players but also with participating countries.”

Asia World Foundation wishes Team Myanmar the best of luck in the games.

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About Asia World Foundation (AWF)

Asia World Foundation (AWF) is the not for profit arm of Asia World Company Limited. AWF is committed to supporting projects to help develop the well-being of the people of Myanmar and has been engaged in philanthropic works for a number of years. The Foundation has supported projects covering a broad range of areas including education, disaster relief, healthcare and community development.

As Myanmar has ended its isolation and opened its doors to the world, many new opportunities have been made available to its people. AWF has been implementing projects geared towards the development of education as it plays a vital role in maximizing the potential of Myanmar.

The Foundation has recently completed a 54 km concrete road that connects Angumaw to Maungtaw in Northern Rakhine. The road will be a catalyst for a socio-economic transformation long overdue for Myanmar’s poorest State.