Commemoration ceremony of the 100th birthday of the Gen. Choi Hong Hi

The 100th birth anniversary of Gen. Choi Hong Hi was celebrated in Pyongyang in grand style.

The celebration of the 100th birth anniversary of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the 1st President of the ITF, took place with full pomp and ceremony in Pyongyang, the capital of the Taekwon-Do birthplace.

In the morning of November 9, the birthday of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Prof. Ri Yong Son, the ITF President and the leading staff of the ITF, the officials and int’l TKD instructors of the Korean Taekwon-Do Committee, as well as the representatives of the NGBs over the world placed a floral tribute on the grave of Gen. Choi Hong Hi at the Patriotic Martyrs’ Cemetery.
They all watched the documentary on the life of Gen. Choi at the Sci-Tech Complex. The documentary titled “He will ever be with the ITF” showed, in an impressive way, the great efforts and exploits of Gen. Choi who had devoted his whole life to creating and developing Taekwon-Do and strengthening the ITF.

The documentary presentation was followed by the ceremony of awarding the ITF Orders, medals, and Dan certificates to the merited ITF staff and the NGB members.
During the days of November 10 – 11, there took place in the Taekwon-Do Palace the intensive training course, umpiring seminar and Dan-promoting examination for the ITF int’l instructors, according to the plan of the ITF.
On November 11, the TKD Demonstration was staged in the Taekwon-Do Palace with co-performance of the KTC Demo Team members and the other instructors and practitioners from different NGBs.
visits

The DPRK government and the KTC kindly arranged the sightseeing of the monumental edifices and other buildings newly built in Pyongyang for the sake of the guests participating in the 100th birth celebration of Gen. Choi Hong Hi.
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Also, the DPRK government entertained the guests to the banquet at the Okryu restaurant.
On November 12, the very last day of the celebration, was held the joint friendship meeting of the participants in celebration, the KTC players, and the Pyongyang citizens.

**JOINT FRIENDSHIP GATHERING**
ITF President’s Activities

On the invitation of Mr. Khasanov Laziz Sayidiavaliyevich, President of Uzbekistan Taekwon-Do Association (ITF), Prof. Ri Yong Son, ITF President and Prof. Kim Sung Hwan, ITF Secretary General paid an official visit in Uzbekistan on 8th-10th December 2018.

On 8th December, Mr. Oybek Kasimov, First Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Physical Culture and Sport of the Republic of Uzbekistan offered an audience to Prof. Ri Yong Son, ITF President where both sides proceeded to the exchange of bilateral issues of mutual interests for the benefit of the promotion of the ITF in Uzbekistan.

Prior to that, Prof. Ri Yong Son met with Mr. Nasirov Ahad Hamzievich, President of the Republican Social Fund for Development of Eastern Single Combats and Martial Arts.

On 9th December, Prof. Ri Yong Son was invited at the Opening Ceremony of the “Uzbek National ITF Taekwon-Do Championship” held in under the participation of more than 1500 Taekwon-Do competitors from different parts of the country.

The visit was a real success thus making a new milestone of ITF Taekwon-Do promotion in the country along with in the region.
The 66th National ITF Taekwon-do Technical Seminar was held successfully at Thyagraj Indoor Stadium, New Delhi on 13th & 14th October 2018. The Seminar witnessed students from various parts of Delhi.

The event was organized by “TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION OF DELHI” which is affiliated to “TAEKWON-DO ASSOCIATION OF INDIA (ITF)” which in turn is the sole representative of “INTERNATIONAL TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION” Vienna, Austria.

1418 students (640-White Belt to Yellow Stripe), (398-Yellow to Green Stripe) and (380-Green Belt to Black Belt) besides 100 ITF Black Belt Instructors from all over Delhi and surrounding areas participated in the event.
The 30TH DELHI STATE ITF Taekwon-do CHAMPIONSHIP was held successfully at Thyagraj Indoor Stadium, New Delhi from 08th to 11th December 2018.

The event was organized by “TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION OF DELHI” under the Chairman ship of Dr. Advocate Master Rajendran Balan, President of TFD & TAI and Master Rachana Chourasia Rajendran, the Secretary General of TFD & TAI.

6679 Players from 161 Schools and 58 Clubs of Delhi NCR participated in the event.

The event witnessed many Government officials, Principles and parents from various strata of Delhi NCR who applauded the successful conduct of the event.
The “6th Black Belt National Physical Seminar & Technical Seminar witnessed 134 student, 1st National Coach Course witnessed 111 students and 1st National Instructor Seminar witnessed 117 Black Belts from over 20 States of India” was concluded successfully from 28th September to 01st October 2018 at Don Bosco School, Panaji, Goa.
The NGB ITF, Pakistan also commemorated the Father of Taekwon-do General Choi Hong Hi on his 100th Birthday in a ceremony held in NGB ITF, Pakistan Headquarter.

I congratulate you on this ITF victory and hope our Federation (ITF) will flourish under your kind leadership. Our NGB also seeks your guidance / instructions in scenario of new developments.

Mohammad Rafique
LATVIA

For all ITF Taekwon-do Club’s Team European Challenge Taekwon-do Tournament "Baltic Amber Cup 2018", which was held on 09-11 November 2018 in Riga, Latvia.

Event was planned and included to Calendar of Events of Riga City in the middle of 2017 and have supported by Department of Education, Culture and Sports of Riga City.

Event dedicated to Anniversary of 100th Birthday of General Choi Hong Hi and The 100 years Anniversary of Latvian Republic Independence which will celebrate in a same time in November 2018.

AZERBAIJAN

Greece

With approval of the Athletic TaeKwon-Do Federation of Hellas, organizes an INTERNA TIONAL TECHNICAL SEMINAR conducted by Grand Master Prof. Hwang Ho Yong.

The seminar was placed on Thessaloniki, Greece at 7-9 of December 2018.
Various aspects of ITF activities in 2018

Bright future of ITF’s Taekwon-Do!

13th Junior & 8th Veteran Taekwon-Do World Championships in Belarus, August 2018
The 100th anniversary of birth of Gen. Choi Hong Hi in Pyongyang, November 2018

New milestone in the 60 years' history of the ITF

Talk with the World TKD Federation and sign of the joint agreement with them. It showed the will of unification between the two TKD Federations.