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**FUNAKOSHI GICHIN CUP
16TH WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP
TAKASAKI JAPAN 2024**

**PAKISTAN TEAM
REPORT**



**18th - 20th & 25th - 27th
OCTOBER, 2024**

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JKA PAKISTAN NATIONAL TEAM

JKA Pakistan organized the National Championship in May, 2024 in Lahore to select the Pakistan team for the Funakoshi Gichin Cup 16th World Karate Championship and had selection on merit. A six-member team from Balochistan participated in the world championship and the rest of the team members did not get visas. The following players and officials represent Pakistan in the World Championship Japan.

S. No	Name	Status	Event /Categories
1	Hussain Ali Changezi	Team Leader	Judge
2	Nasrullah	Player	Men Kumite
3	Ghulam Raza	Player	Men Team Kumite
4	Ayaan Hiader	Player	15 years Kumite
5	Meraj Hussain	Player	14 years Kumite
6	Muhammad Kumail Raza	Player	13 years Kumite

MEETING WITH H.E HATTORI MASARU

Before departure to Japan, the JKA Pakistan team met with H.E. HATTORI Masaru Consul General of Japan in Karachi on 14th October, 2024. Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei President of JKA Pakistan thanked for his facilitation of the visa process and also briefed him about the team and world championship. H.E. Hattori Masaru expressed best wishes to the team.



TEAM DEPARTED FOR JAPAN

JKA Pakistan team departed from Jinnah International Airport Karachi on 15th October via Abdu Dhabi to Tokyo through Etihad Airways Ey 222.



JKA Pakistan team at Jinnah International Airport Karachi



JKA Pakistan team at Narita International Airport Tokyo

JKA AUTUMN WORLD KARATE TRAINING CAMP

Japan Karate Association Pakistan team participated in the World Karate Training Camp in Tokyo from 18th to 20th October 2024. The first and second training sessions were jointly held at Bunkyo General Gymnasium and JKA HQ Tokyo. 3rd Kyu to 4th Dan holders training sessions were held at Bunkyo General Gymnasium and 5th Dan and above Dan holder training sessions were held at JKA HQ.



JKA Pakistan team with Shina Katsutoshi Shihan Technical Director JKA



Kumail Raza, Meraj Hussain & Ayaan Haider at Bunkyo Gymnasium

TRAINING SESSIONS

Three days' world karate training camp comprised instructors training, 3rd Kyu to Sho Dan training and masters training sessions. JKA referee & judge training session was also scheduled. This training camp not only provides opportunities for the practitioners to hone their karate skills but also cultural exchange and mutual understanding.



JKA Pakistan team with Naka Tatsuya Shihan instructor JKA



JKA Pakistan team with Kochirio Okuma Shihan instructor JKA

MASTERS TRAINING SESSIONS

Ogura YAsunori Shihan Deputy World Chief Instructor conducted a special master training session and focused on kihon, kata. All masters keenly participated in these sessions and this session was very beneficial. Ogura Shihan's skills are amazing and we are grateful to Ogura Shihan.



Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei with other senior masters group photograph with Ogura Yasunori Shihan Vice Chief Instructor JKA



JKA Masters group photograph with Ogura Yasunori Shihan

TRAINING SESSIONS

The training camp includes kata practice and kumite technique instruction and is available for everyone from beginners to advanced practitioners. Our young and energetic players participated in all training sessions with great enthusiasm.



Ayaan Haider with Kurihara Kazuki Sensei Former World Champion



Meraj Hussain with young Japanese instructor

DAN EXAMINATION

Sho Dan to Nana Dan (1st to 7th) Dan and qualification examinations were also scheduled. JKA HQ instructors conducted the examinations. Instructors and players participated in examinations. JKA Pakistan team member Meraj Hussain passed the Ni (2nd) Dan examination. JKA Pakistan congratulated Meraj Hussain for passing the Ni Dan examination.



Congratulations Meraj Hussain for passing Ni (2nd) Dan examination

2024 Autumn Camp Dan Pass			
Dan	Name		
7 Dan	Ronnie Knott	6 Dan	Cristian Ariel Salvemini
7 Dan	Neale Dix	6 Dan	CHINZO MACHIDA
7 Dan	Ucok Marisi Sihotang	6 Dan	Yadira Suarez Duran
7 Dan	Carol See Tai	6 Dan	Florjan Reiter
7 Dan	Karin Prinsloo	6 Dan	Jayne Alexandre Sandall Jr.
7 Dan	Mini Tommaso	6 Dan	Ivan Mravljak
7 Dan	Carlos Prina	6 Dan	Wagner Pereira
7 Dan	Fathi Jarushi	5 Dan	Luis Phirippe Diman
7 Dan	Angelo Massotti	5 Dan	Marcelo Monzon
6 Dan	Goran Milovanovic	5 Dan	Matias Agustin Sanchez
6 Dan	Jovany Marulanda	5 Dan	Natasha McKee
6 Dan	Alexander Latkin	4 Dan	Alyssa van der Merwe
6 Dan	Vladimir Zanca	4 Dan	ISUSKO SARATXU ARRI
6 Dan	Juan Carlos Munoz	4 Dan	Kim Masayuki E. Torres
		3 Dan	Taiyo Yamaguchi
		3 Dan	Valentia Briones
		3 Dan	Michael van Niekerk
		2 Dan	Katarina Cesar
		2 Dan	Isidora Gallo
		2 Dan	Meraj hussain
		2 Dan	Franco Briones
		1 Dan	Watanabe Fujio
		1 Dan	Vanessa Plaznik
		1 Dan	Cristina Orbe Arcos
		1 Dan	James Black
		1 Dan	Friedrich Rukia
		1 Dan	Pia Goetzalmann
		1 Dan	Murray Diamanda

Dan Examination results



Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei President & Chief Instructor JKA Pakistan with Ogura Yasunori Shihan Vice Chief Instructor JKA



Changezi Sensei with Kenji Yano Shihan

MUTUAL HARMONY & FRIENDSHIP

JKA Pakistan team members met many instructors and players during the camp exchanged views and discussed promoting karate. This training camp is an opportunity to improve karate techniques and learn teaching methods and for international exchange and cultural understanding through karate.



JKA Pakistan team with New Zealand instructors group photo



JKA Pakistan team with Mexican team

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LATE UEKI MASAOKI SHUSEKI SHIHAN

The memorial service for late Chief Instructor Ueki Masaaki, who passed away on July 14, 2024, was held at Toeizan Kan'ei-j, Rinno-den in Ueno, Taito-ku on 20th October, 2024. JKA Pakistan delegation also attended the ceremony.



OISHI TAKESHI SHIHAN NEW CHIEF INSTRUCTOR JKA

The Shihankai meeting was held at JKA HQ on 20th October 2024. Oishi Takeshi Shihan was designated the new chief instructor / Shuseki Shihan of JKA.



Oishi Takeshi Shuseki Shihan 9th Dan new chief instructor JKA

FUNAKOSHI GICHIN CUP 16TH WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP TAKASAKI

The Funakoshi Gichin Cup's 16th World Karate Championship was held from 25th to 27th October 2024 at Takasaki, Japan. The registration process, representative meetings, and judges' meetings were held on 24 October 2024. Pakistan team reached Takasaki on 22nd October and started training at Takasaki Arena.



Pakistan team at Takasaki Railway station



Pakistan team with Pakistani flag at Takasaki City

16TH WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP TAKASAKI



Pakistan team at Takasaki Arena



TRAINING SESSIONS

Sensei Hussain Ali Changezi conducted training sessions for the team at Takasaki Arena. JKA HQ already scheduled training times for foreign teams. Pakistan's team comprised mostly young and energetic players.



Group photograph of the Pakistan team



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

A big day came JKA World Championship began on 25th October, more than 50 countries with 1800 plus players, coaches, directors, and officials participated in the world championship. JKA Pakistan's six-member team also took part in the world championship.



Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei & Nasrullah Sensei at the main tatami of the world championship

16th JKA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Team JKA Pakistan comprised young players and they participated for the first time in an international event and team participated in 3 kumite categories junior events and men's kumite events.



A beautiful view of Takasaki Arena





Team JKA Pakistan with Katsutoshi Shiina Shihan Technical Director JKA



Team JKA Pakistan at light mood at Takasaki Arena

AYAAN HAIDER

A young and talented player of JKA Pakistan Mr. Ayaan Haider won the first match against Joao Taveria from Brazil and lost the second match to Kassander Mikkelsen from Denmark.



Ayaan Haider during competition



MERAJ HUSSAIN

A young and talented player Mr. Meraj Hussain won his first fight against Tomas Nielsen from Argentina and lost to Tristan Ferris from South Africa.



Meraj Hussain During the competition



NASRULLAH

Nasrullah Sensei participated in the men's kumite event and lost the first match against Joe Lila from UAE.



MUHAMMAD KUMAIL RAZA

Mr. Muhammad Kumail Raza lost his first fight against Kevin Lin from Australia.



HUSSAIN ALI CHANGEZI

Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei President & Chief Instructor JKA Pakistan performed as a Judge in the 16th World Karate Championship. It is an honor that Changezi Sensei is the first Pakistani judge to perform as a judge at the JKA World Championship.



Hussain Ali Changezi Sensei with Judges panel





The judging panel is ready to conduct the event



Group photograph of judging panel after closing the events

CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Closing ceremony of the Funakoshi Gichin Cup 16th World Karate Championship held on 27th October at Takasaki Arena. Chairman JKA Kusahara Katsuhide, Chairman JKF Takashi Sasagawa, Mayor Takasaki Kenji Tomioka and Chief Judge Takeshi Oishi Chief Instructor JKA addressed the closing ceremony of the World Championship.

At the closing ceremony JKA Instructors presented demonstrations, Kurihara Kazuki Sensei demonstrated Sochin kata, Naka Tatsuya Shihan, Shimizu Sensei and Nemoto Sensei jointly presented the demonstration. Japanese drum performances were also presented.



JKA Officials and guests watching and observing closing ceremony of
championship



Japanese drum performance



Pakistan team at the closing ceremony of the 16th World Championship



Japanese player during kata competition

THANKS PARTY

The Funakoshi Gichin Cup 16th World Karate Championship concluded with a fabulous thanks party that was held on 27th October night at Metropolitan Hotel Takasaki, JKA Officials including member countries participated in the thanks party. Thanks to the JKA Worldwide family for friendship, camaraderie, bond, and feeling of oneness, and special thanks to JKA HQ for a meticulously planned event.

JKA Pakistan congratulates JKA HQ for organizing a very successful world championship and it was a remarkable event.



Chairman JKA Kusahara Katsuhide addressing in thanks party



JKA Pakistan team with Chairman JKA Kusahara Katsuhide



JKA Pakistan team with Ogura Yasunori Shihan vice chief Instructor JKA

DEPARTED BACK TO PAKISTAN

After successful participation in the World Karate Training Camp Tokyo and Funakosi Gichin Cup 16th World Karate Championship Takasaki, Japan. JKA Pakistan team departed for Pakistan on 29th October from Narita International Airport Tokyo.

We are very grateful to JKA HQ and Katsutoshi Shiina Shihan for their guidance and support during our visit to Japan. We are also thankful to the Japan Consulate in Karachi for its facilitation of the visa process.



JKA Pakistan team photograph after returning from Japan at Jinnah International Airport Karachi

RECEPTION IN HONOUR OF THE JKA PAKISTAN TEAM

Syed Nadeem Shah Honorary Consul General of Japan hosted a reception in his office in honor of the Pakistan team after returning from Japan. He congratulated the team for its successful participation in the world championship and also congratulated Mr. Meraj Hussain for passing the Ni Dan examination in Japan. Syed Feroze Shah advisor to the Government of Pakistan on the investment board and other notable figures of the Pak-Japan Friendship Society present at the occasion.

Hussain Ali Changezi Sensie President of JKA Pakistan thanked Syed Nadeem Shah for his support, guidance and cooperation to JKA Pakistan



JKA Pakistan team group photograph with Syed Nadeem Shah and officials
at the office of Honorary Consul General of Japan Quetta