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MESSAGE FROM THE

AFC PRESIDENT

I am delighted to present the Technical Report for the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™ Thailand 2025, which demonstrated the rising standards of our Member Associations (MAs).

My sincere congratulations once again to the Islamic Republic of Iran on clinching a record fourth title to cement their place as the most successful side in the history of the competition. Their riveting performances which included an outstanding tally of 55 goals —one more than their previous campaign two years ago—and the key moments of their journey, along with all our teams who amassed an impressive 242 goals, are insightfully captured in this report.

We also commend Oman for returning to their first Final in a decade, and both the Football Federation Islamic Republic of Iran and the Oman Football Association deserve our recognition for consistently striving for excellence and their dedication in strengthening the foundations of the sport.

The growing popularity of beach soccer is undeniable, and its recent advancements reflect the hard work and commitment of our MAs in nurturing its development. The impressive performances of Saudi Arabia, who left Pattaya as one of the success stories after advancing to the Semi-Finals in only their third appearance, and the return of India 18 years after their Continental debut, underscore the significant strides made by the sport across the Continent in recent years.

In every way, the progress of our teams exemplifies the continued success of the AFC's Vision and Mission in establishing top-level Continental competition to aid the development of our MAs.

This report, which also includes a summary of the performances of our match officials, effectively captures these positive trends and the latest technical developments in beach soccer, and I would like to thank the Technical Study Group for their expert analysis and findings, which I believe will be invaluable for the continued growth of the sport throughout Asia.

Our sincere gratitude also goes to The Football Association of Thailand and the Local Organising Committee for their outstanding efforts in hosting Asia's premier beach soccer competition for the third consecutive time.

Furthermore, we recognise the crucial contributions of the AFC Futsal & Beach Soccer Committee, the AFC Technical Committee, the AFC Competitions Committee, and the AFC Referees Committee for their steadfast guidance and profound leadership not only in expanding the reach of the game but also in elevating our collective standards.

I trust that this report will provide valuable insights for our coaches and technical specialists, and together, by strengthening our spirit of collaboration, I am confident that we will chart a more promising future for Asian beach soccer in the years ahead.

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Shaikh Salman bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa AFC President





GROUP STAGE

GROUP A

Thailand were the standout team in Group A, with the hosts kicking off their campaign with a 3-0 win over India. That was followed by a 5-4 victory over Lebanon.

The Group A top spot was confirmed after edging Kuwait 4-3 as Thailand finished with eight points.

Lebanon, thanks to wins against Kuwait (5-4) and India (6-1), advanced to the Quarter-Finals as the group runners-up.

Match Summaries

KUW 4-5 LBN THA 3-0 IND IND 4-2 KUW LBN 4-5 THA LBN 6-1 IND THA 4-3 KUW

GROUP B

Japan, seeking a fourth title, had to work hard in their Group B opener to defeat a strong Iraq side 4-3.

The East Asian side were back at their best in the subsequent encounter against Saudi Arabia, strolling to a 7-2 win before confirming top spot in Group B with a 4-1 victory against China PR.

Saudi Arabia created history as their wins against China PR (5-3) and Iraq (3-2) meant they advanced

as the group runners-up, having never previously qualified for the Knockout Stage.

Match Summaries

JPN 4-3 IRQ CHN 3-5 KSA IRQ 2-3 CHN KSA 2-7 JPN KSA 3-2 IRQ JPN 4-1 CHN

GROUP C

IR Iran were unstoppable in Group C, kicking off their campaign with a 12-2 win against Indonesia.

Seeking back-to-back titles for the first time, they defeated Afghanistan 14-0 on Matchday Two and followed that up with a 4-3 win against the United Arab Emirates.

The UAE, having beaten Afghanistan (7-1) and Indonesia (6-1), qualified to the next stage as well.

Match Summaries

IRN 12-2 IDN UAE 7-1 AFG IDN 1-6 UAE AFG 0-14 IRN AFG 4-6 IDN IRN 4-3 UAE



GROUP D

Oman, seeking to win the title a second time after having emerged champions in 2015, hit the ground running in Group D with an emphatic 7-1 win against Vietnam.

That was followed by victories against Malaysia (6-3) and Bahrain (5-1) as they booked their Quarter-Final spot in style.

Bahrain advanced as the runners-up, with Malaysia missing out after both sides finished with three points.

Match Summaries

OMA 7-1 VIE BHR 4-3 MAS VIE 4-2 BHR MAS 3-6 OMA MAS 3-1 VIE OMA 5-1 BHR

QUARTER-FINALS

THAILAND 3-4 SAUDI ARABIA 🗘

Saudi Arabia not only broke Thailand's hearts but also created history after a 4-3 triumph in their Quarter-Final.

In a match which saw the lead changing hands, Ahmed Al Hamami stepped up to blast home a free-kick in the 33rd minute to send Saudi Arabia through to the last four for the first time.

Match Summary: THA 3-4 KSA



JAPAN 8-3 LEBANON 🔾

Japan were a class above in their face-off with Lebanon, with the former champions leading from start to finish.

Lebanon restricted them to just one goal in the first period but Japan were at their lethal best after the first break as they marched into the Semi-Finals in style.

Match Summary: JPN 8-3 LBN



IR Iran produced another swashbuckling performance as they cruised past Bahrain 11-0 in their last-eight tie.

An impressive seven players got on the scoresheet as IR Iran moved a step closer to winning the title for a fourth time.

Match Summary: IRN 11-0 BHR

OMAN 7-2 UAE C

Oman came from behind to book their Semi-Final spot, defeating UAE 7-2 in an impressive show of strength.

Seeking a return to the Final for the first time since emerging champions in 2015, Oman were in unstoppable form as they ultimately registered a resounding win.

Match Summary: OMA 7-2 UAE





SEMI-FINALS

SAUDI ARABIA 0-6 IR IRAN 🗪

IR Iran proved a step too far for Saudi Arabia as the defending champions booked their spot in the Final with a 6-0 win.

After spirited resistance from Saudi Arabia, IR Iran broke the deadlock in the seventh minute when substitute goalkeeper Seyemohammad Dastan showed his accuracy from distance, rifling a volley into the top corner beyond Saudi Arabia custodian Mohammed Alajmi's outstretched hands.

IR Iran doubled their advantage two minutes later as they opened up Saudi Arabia's defence for the first time in the game, allowing Seyed Nazem the chance to smash an overhead strike home.

Saudi Arabia showed more attacking intent in the second period but their inability to put away their chances were punished by IR Iran as the match progressed.

Movahed Mohammadpour found Ali Mishekari in space in the 22nd minute and the Iranian forward accepted the invitation to power in an overhead strike to score his ninth goal of the campaign.

IR Iran kept up their intensity in the third period as they added further goals through Mohammad Masoumizadeh (27th), Dastan (31st) and Mirshekari (36th) to seal their passage to the Final.

Match Summay: KSA 0-6 IRN



SEMI-FINALS

JAPAN 2-3 OMAN 🗘

Oman continued their impressive form with a stunning 3-2 win over Japan, ending the East Asian side's hopes of winning the title for a fourth time.

Oman went ahead in the eighth minute when Yahya Al Muraiki's long-range shot from the right flank went past Japan's Takaaki Oba, Ozu Moreira and goalkeeper Takeru Furusato before settling in the net.

The first few minutes of the second period saw Oba's repeated attempts thwarted by the woodwork and the Oman backline, but Japan finally found their equaliser in the 17th minute through Chikara Eguro.

Japan took the lead in the 21st minute when captain Ryota Tsuboya collected a lobbed pass from Kosuke Matsuda and beat goalkeeper Mushel Al Araimi.

Three minutes into the final period, it was all square once again as Oman goalkeeper Younis Al Owaisi's throw found Abdullah Salim at the other end, whose acrobatic effort sent the ball into the centre of the Japan net.

Al Owaisi then turned matchwinner when his shot from the Oman goal line went unchallenged, sailing straight into the Japan net as the West Asians advanced to the Final in stunning fashion.

Match Summary: JPN 2-3 OMA



THIRD-PLACE PLAYOFF

SAUDI ARABIA 1-3 JAPAN ㅇ

Japan held off Saudi Arabia to take third place with a 3-1 win in the Playoff.

The victory meant Japan booked their ticket to the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup Seychelles 2025, joining IR Iran and Oman at the global showpiece.

Japan threatened early, with goalkeeper Takeru Furusato launching a long-range effort within the first minute, but Saudi Arabia's Hassan Aleid reacted swiftly to punch the ball away.





The West Asians grew into the game and nearly broke the deadlock in the fourth minute when goalkeeper Hassan played a precise ball to Ahmed Alhamami on the left flank, whose acrobatic volley was tipped over by Furusato.

The stalemate finally ended in the final seconds of the first period when Takaaki Oba latched onto a throw from Furusato and unleashed a bicycle kick towards the Saudi Arabia goal. The ball bounced off Hassan before rolling into the bottom left corner of the net.

The West Asians did not take long to find their equaliser, with Majed Shamhani firing in a left-footed free-kick, sending the ball past Furusato into the right corner of the Japan goalmouth.

Japan regained their lead shortly after when Takumi Uesato's precise volley found Chikara Eguro, who produced a stunning overhead strike that flew past a rooted Hassan and settled in the net.

Japan extended their lead in the closing seconds with Ozu Moreira adding his name to the scoresheet as they finished third.

Match Summary: KSA 1-3 JPN



FINAL

IR IRAN 8-1 OMAN 🗅

IR Iran capped a fabulous campaign by defeating Oman 8-1 in the Final to lift the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup^{TM} trophy for a record fourth time.

The Central Asian side dominated from the start with Oman custodian Younis Al Owaisi having to be alert to block efforts from Mahdi Shirmohammadi and Movahed Mohammapour before his opposite number Seyedmahdi Mirjalili pushed away an attempt from Nooh Al Zadjali.

IR Iran, however, had to wait till the final minute of the first period for the breakthrough when Seyedmohammad Dastan's long-range effort was saved by Amjad Al-Hamdani but Shirmohammadi leaped high into the air to nod home the rebound.

The defending champions stepped up another gear in the second half, doubling their lead in the 15th minute after Reza Amiri smashed a free-kick home with the final bounce taking the ball away from the gloves of Al Owaisi.

IR Iran made it 3-0 two minutes later, Movahed Mohammadpour executing an overhead kick that ended up in the top corner of Oman's goalmouth.

Despite holding a substantial lead, IR Iran were relentless in pursuing more and duly added to their advantage in the 18th minute when Seyed Nazem steered a first-time effort home before Ali Mirshekari blasted in for their fifth goal two minutes later with a free-kick.



Oman pulled a goal back seconds later after Sami Al Bulushi was left unmarked at the far post to sweep home but the 2015 champions conceded another in the 22nd minute with Mirshekari getting his second of the game.

Mohammadali Mokhtari added to the tally in the 32nd and 36th minutes as IR Iran cruised to a sensational victory.

Capping a memorable tournament for IR Iran was Mirshekari being named the Most Valuable Player while his 12 goals also saw him scooping the Top Scorer award with compatriot Mirjalili landing the Best Goalkeeper award.

Match Summary: IRN 8-1 OMA



IR Iran returned to the crown, scoring an astounding 55 goals in total throughout the tournament, renewing their record and winning their fourth Asian title following the previous edition in 2023. Remarkably, all 12 players on their team contributed to this tally of goals.

The team's high performance may impart a very positive momentum to their ninth participation at the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup in Seychelles, where they have twice finished third in the past. Oman and Japan will join this campaign, marking their seventh and 13th participation on the world stage respectively.



Asian representatives to the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup since 2013

FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup	2013	2015	2017	2019	2021	2023(4)
Results	IR Iran & Japan to Quarter- Finals	IR Iran & Japan to Quarter- Finals	IR Iran 3rd place	Japan 4th place	Japan Runner-up	IR Iran 3rd place *UAE & Japan eliminated in the Quarter-Finals

There are similarities in the collective playing styles of the trio, encompassing transitioning systems with dynamic off-the-ball movement, with differences in how on-the-ball plays are executed. Given that this style is predominant in Asia, it will be noteworthy to observe how the AFC's representatives compete against teams from other regions with different playing styles in the upcoming FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup.

FACTS FROM THE "BENCHMARKS"

From the records and results of the past editions, IR Iran, Oman, Japan, and UAE can be categorised as the top tier, or "Benchmarks" in Asia; this was reconfirmed when three of them dominated the slots for the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup.

Here, when we say "Benchmark", it implies that they did not just aim to achieve spontaneous, short-term results. Instead, they continued to maintain a certain level of competitiveness, propped up by a continued organisational engagement for a certain length of time, and not by a coincidence brought about by a special talented generation.

Age for athletes can sometimes be just a number, but it can also correlate to the level of collective experience, a balance of braveness and prudence which affects the performance of the whole team especially in critical situations. Checking on the trajectory of the average ages of teams may better inform us the characteristics of the Benchmarks from this aspect.

Note that this is not to bring into discussion nor to try to identify the best age for elite beach soccer athletes or team composition, but rather to contemplate the strategies and activities related to the sustainability of the development.

Average age of players for the top four teams in each edition (2017-2025)

	2017		2019		2023		2025	
1st	IRN	27.6	JPN	32.4	IRN	28.1	IRN	29.2
2nd	UAE	28.3	UAE	30.2	JPN	31.6	ОМА	30.8
3rd	JPN	9.4	OMA	29.3	OMA	28.8	JPN	33.2
4th	LBN	29.9	PLE	27.8	UAE	32.4	KSA	28.8

- IRN & JPN are in te top four in the latest four editions
- IRN maintained the average age within 27.6 to 29.2yrs in 8 years
- JPN's average age of 33.2yrs for this edition is the highest in eight years
- OMA is in the top three for the latest three editions, maintaining an average of 29.6yrs
- UAE's average age grew by approximately two years in each edition until 2023. (33.4yrs in 2025)

Another indicator related to the level of development and sustainability can be the number of coaching courses organised. It is not a coincidence that IR Iran, followed by Japan, has conducted the greatest number of courses across the years.

The more coaching courses are organised, the more qualified and passionate coaches there will be to continuously develop the sport, which will bear fruit not drastically in the short term but steadily across the years, making the sport attractive to the younger generations.

Of course, this must come together with a place, a stage for coaches to perform – that is, an organised competition. Once started with these two elements, the pathway of development will start to reap its rewards, as is common in other sports too.

THE GAP

The existence of Benchmarks also implies a gap between other groups of teams of different levels, which relates to the results of the games. What about them? How far are they? In this edition, there was no game that went into a penalty shoot-out, and only one match had to go into extra time.

The average goal difference per match (by how many goals the match was decided) decreased compared to 2023. This is to say that the difference in levels was smaller in general for this edition.





Average o	goal difference h	Biggest difference in a match (score)			
2025	3.78	14 (14-0)			
2023	4.41	12 (12-0)			
2019	3.25	9 (11-2)			
2017	4.43	14 (1 <mark>4-0</mark> *2 matches)			

The same goes when we check the top four of the most recent four editions – there is a decrease in goal differences in general, with the only exception of IR Iran, who has stretched their overall winning goal difference record apart from 2019, when they were eliminated in the Quarter-Finals.





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Japan, Oman and UAE are steady, but the gap between these teams and others were closer this year.

Goa	Goal differences of the games by top four teams of the tournament								
20	017	Group stage			QF	TOTAL			
1	IRN	14	5	10	3	32			
2	UAE	6	7	1	0	14			
3	JPN	14	9	-1		22			
4	LBN	5 1			0	6			

2019		Gro	oup sta	age	QF	TOTAL
1	JPN	7	6	4	1	18
2	UAE	5	4	1	7	17
3	OMA		3	1	2	6
4	PLE	3	1	1	1	6
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20	2023		Group stage			TOTAL
1	IRN	9	9	5	10	33
2	JPN	7	5	6	8	26
3	OMA	7	4	4	11	26
4	UAE	4	2	-5	2	3
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20	2025		Group stage			TOTAL
1	IRN	1	14	10	11	36
2	OMA	4	3	6	5	18
3	JPN	3	5	1	5	14
4	KSA	1	-5	2	1	-1
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THE RISE OF SAUDI ARABIA

This time, a new team made their way to challenge the Benchmarks. Saudi Arabia clearly made their presence known, having the third-youngest squad among all the participating teams following India and Malaysia, with an average of 27.9yrs. This was their third participation following 2013 and 2023, and they have never been in the spotlight in this competition, let alone advancing from the Group Stage and entering the Semi-Finals.

This time, they slid into the Knockout Stage after surviving two tough games against Iraq (3-2) and China PR (5-3). But the more remarkable feat was when they won against Thailand in the Quarter-Final coming back from behind in the last period against the home team who were backed by the energetic local fans.

The team was led by the experienced Brazilian, Gustavo "Guga" Henrique. With prior experience of leading Brazil as well as other teams in Africa, Guga's Saudi Arabia played in a rather dynamic style, different from others that made the top four, with many passes and dribbles made on the sand, coupled with less passing in the air. The players were relatively smaller compared to the other teams who made it to the Semi Finals, but their style was based on plenty of off-theball runs, with rotations and combinations, creating and utilising the space, all of which resembled that of characteristics in futsal.

Video KSA characteristics



HEAD COACH INTERVIEW - GUSTAVO HENRIQUE

When did you start to prepare for this tournament? We began preparing specifically for the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™ in January this year, with a 10-day training camp in Oman. During this period, we played two friendlies against the Oman national team. For this training camp, players who participated in the first national beach soccer league, organised and held by the Saudi Arabian Football Federation (SAFF), were selected.

After the camp in Oman in January, we held a sevenday camp in Riyadh, playing two friendlies against the Bahrain national team and, two weeks later, another five-day camp in Dubai, where we also played two friendlies against the UAE national team, ending on February 28. On March 6, already in Ramadan, we trained for fourdays in Riyadh and nine days before our opening match we travelled to Pattaya, Thailand where we had eight training sessions along with two more friendlies against the Afghanistan and Vietnam teams, finalising our preparation for the competition.

What was your goal in this tournament?

Before the tournament began, our goal was to qualify for the Quarter-Finals for the first time. In the end, we achieved much more than our initial goal, as we were among the top four Asian teams in less than three years of competing in official competitions – a source of great pride and happiness not only for me but for everyone in our country and especially SAFF, leaving everyone happy and motivated to develop beach soccer.

What was your overall strategy to achieve your goal and what was the reason for adopting such an approach?

Our strategy began three years ago when we actually started beach soccer in Saudi Arabia, recruiting athletes from the most diverse places – field soccer, street fields in Riyadh, going to see military championship games, university games, etc. This culminated in the creation of the national beach soccer league, where we managed to attract 48 official clubs to participate and gave us more opportunities to recruit new players, making our team stronger in pursuit of our objectives.

Specifically, in relation to the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™, our strategy to achieve our goals was to study our opponents in the Group Stage – China PR, Japan and Iraq – a lot, especially China PR, which was our first game and main rival for qualification to the Quarter -Finals as Japan was the favourite to take the first place in the group.

After China PR's victory in the first game, our strategy for the second game (against Japan) was to... mainly rest our main players in the physical aspect, so that we could decide our classification against the strong and very well-trained Iraq team. For many, Iraq's performance was a surprise, but not for me, as I have been in Asia since 2006 and already knew the Iraq national team very well.

With our strategy set up, we played a very well-controlled game... we knew that the physical aspect in this game would be extremely important and at the end of the game, the difference between our team and Iraq was the physical and tactical aspects.



We reached the Quarter-Finals very motivated not only by the results but mainly because the team was playing great beach soccer in the first three games, which generated great confidence both in the players and in me as head coach, directors and fans in general.

We went to play the game against the host country, Thailand, which was a very difficult game, but we managed to surpass the objectives proposed before the competition, reaching the Semi Finals and being one of the four best teams in Asia, in such a short time.

Considering the rivals and tournament system, what were the learnings from this competition?

Regarding the competition system (games on alternate days and with one day of rest), it is perhaps the only competition (apart from the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup) that has this type of system, which demonstrates the professionalism of the AFC with regards to beach soccer, with the physical aspect of our athletes (beach soccer demands a lot of physical strength and in most competitions we don't even have 24 hours of rest) and I take this opportunity to send my sincere thanks to the AFC Technical Department for this.

About our rivals, we learned a lot from each of them: we need to stand out (improve) in the defensive aspect, vary the defensive system, the offensive transitions with more qualities, (possession) more concentration on set pieces, counterattacks and much faster decision-making, but I also want to emphasise that after the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™ we left... (feeling) much more confident that we can achieve something bigger like qualifying for the World Cup. My players, most of them are new to the sport, with a maximum of three years' practice, and they left the competition much stronger and more motivated.



What plans do you have in mind to improve on them?

To improve our players, we need to continue with our strategy and planning to grow our national league, to have more beach soccer facilities spread across the country, a strategy that was developed by me in July 2021, the date of my arrival in Saudi Arabia, and executed by my federation. For that, I thank all the departments of the SAFF that spared no effort and prioritise beach soccer without any differences from football because they know our professionalism in our work.

In addition to developing the sport, (the aim) is to put Saudi Arabia at the top – not only in Asia but also at the top of the world. Today, we are already number 18 in the world rankings; just three years (ago), we were in 104th place... (this is) the best placement of a Saudi Arabian team in futsal or beach soccer, which fills us with pride and leaves us more and more motivated to achieve new and future goals.

What is the next goal?

Our next goal, without a doubt and which we have already started working on, is to qualify for the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup in 2027. We have already planned the entire calendar and starting in July, we will begin a new cycle with that aim.

It is also our goal to reach the finals of the regional competitions and tournaments that we are invited to, to continue with a winning mentality, which has strengthened especially after the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™.

Finally, I would like to thank the entire AFC department who held a beautiful and professional competition, and all the people at AFC in all departments and committees who work for the development of beach soccer in Asia. I am very grateful and always available for whatever you need for the development of our sport.



THE SPECIALISTS BEHIND

Teams with Fitness Coach	2
Teams with GK Coach	5
Teams with Analyst	5
Teams led by Local Head Coach	9

*out of 16 teams

Players are always the first to be in the spotlight and after that maybe the head coach, but in fact, nowadays the specialists who can manage the specific areas are increasingly important. The team is normally understood to be led by the head coach, but when it comes to the details of the specific areas such as conditioning, goalkeeping or analysing performances, it is the specialists that are undertaking those areas. Considering the specificity of beach soccer especially, the involvement of specialists will not only benefit the team in terms of performance, but also the overall development of beach soccer.

In this edition, more than half of the teams counted on coaches from a different country, and less than one-third of the teams registered a goalkeeper coach and an analyst. When it comes to a fitness coach, there were only two teams among all, which seems to be a huge area for exploration.

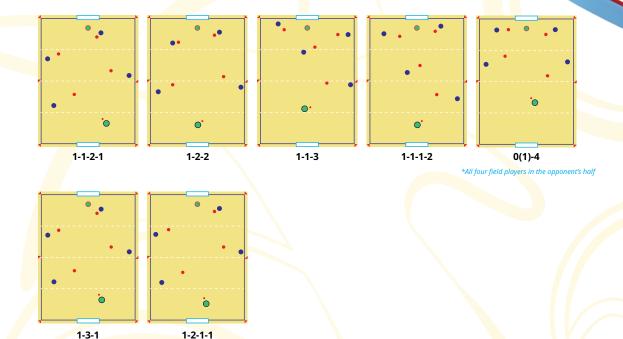


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STYLES OF PLAY OF THE TOP FOUR

When we discuss formations and systems, we are talking about the different formations of the players and the ideas of how they seek to connect among each other. This implies that formations and systems are deemed to be flexible, because they are always in accordance with the opponent's reaction to your scheme.

IR Iran and Japan showed similarity in their attacking styles, counting on the goalkeeper who had great field play skills and even the ability to shoot from distance. The goalkeepers participated in the possession and build-up plays together with other players, who rotated their positions and made space to create attacking opportunities. To make the best use of this, they flexibly switched between 1-1-2-1 and 1-2-2 to 1-1-1-2 or even 1-1-3 to 0-4, involving the goalkeeper to circulate the ball.



Variety of Formations	1-1-2-1	1-2-2	1-1-3	1-1-1-2	0(1)-4	1-3-1	1-2-1-1
Advantages	Players are well distributed across the length and width of the pitch. Allows adventurous wingers to attack the flanks.	Relatively easy to provide outlets to create shooting opportunities with a GK with good attacking skills, including shots and distribution to two pivots upfront. Well balanced to shift to defensive transition.	Applied when constantly putting opponent under pressure, and prevent them from getting organised.	Good to develop attack with one player to connect and/or rotate to create chances, together with the two pivots.	GK can play up, with options to score or deliver a decisive pass. All field players positioned in the opponent's half.	Well balanced considering transition to defence. Suitable when the team is dominant, and the opponent must press.	Well balanced and stable with players well distributed across the length of the pitch in low zone.
Shortcomings	Demands sound tactical understanding of players to take up good defensive positions and regularly switch to mark zonally. The central defender is likely to face many 1v1 situations.	Players tend to be positional and static, by which it counts on individual techniquetactics.	Vulnerable to counterattacks Players need to cover a lot of ground. Only suitable for players who have strong ability to compete at a high tempo.	The GK and another supporting player must be able to solve the situation, usually 2v1, to build up and allow the three players to exploit their advantage.	The GK's playing quality is decisive and vital to its successful function, since he has little support while playing out of his area.	The distances between each player makes it difficult to support each other. The attacker is isolated. Few attacking options up the pitch.	Unclear positioning of the defenders. Attacks become predictable, usually with long passes to the attacker.

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Oman and Saudi Arabia started their attack with three players positioned deep in their own side, with this trio using plenty of off-the-ball movements to create space and time for the goalkeeper to participate in the attack.

They also transferred their positioning shapes between 1-3-1, 1-2-1-1, 1-2-2, 1-1-3 flexibly. The wingers opened up the field, giving space and support to the goalkeeper so that he can play in an advanced position, even though the opponent occasionally tried to apply pressing. The field players made frequent off-the-ball runs and rotated their positions, with all players bearing the tasks of every position, although they have their main role.

Video Attack from various formations



All of the top four goalkeepers took shots or made passes, with their feet or throws, into the free space of the upper field or behind the opposing players.

In defence, most of the teams formed 1-2-2 or 1-2-1-1 in general, adapting to the opposing team's reaction, but basically defended individually, alternating high press and positional defence from halfway, or even staying back, depending on the level of intensity and fatigue, which also relates to the substitution strategy. When the opponent advanced to midfield, they utilised zonal marking but stayed tight and strong on the ball.

The intensity of the game, as whoever watched the games or have the experience of running around in the thick sand may be able to imagine, is extremely high, loading both the lungs and muscles.

How the teams managed the multiple substitutions strongly relates to the team's strategy of the game i.e. the game plan. It is interesting to contemplate how the top four teams made their substitutions, since this may show another aspect of how they intended to play.

It is natural to assume that the time a player plays in each sequence of participation on the pitch and rest at the bench relates to the tempo of the game and the fitness condition of the athletes.

According to our observations of the top four teams, IR Iran was the team that had the players stay the shortest time on the pitch in each participating sequence, with an average of less than two minutes (1:47). Oman and Japan were similar in this sense, with an average of around 2:20, but Japanese players rested at the bench longer than the Oman players by approximately 30 seconds. Saudi Arabian players' participating sequence was different from others, with an average of more than 3 and a half minutes and resting at the bench for 4 and a half minutes.

The average ratio of playing time and rest time at the bench, according to our observations was 1.2 (1.2 rest time per 1 participation). These figures are obviously relative since they must adapt to how the opponent play, however, it still can serve as a rough idea that supported the intensity of their collective tactics.

	IRN	ОМА	JPN	KSA
Aver. Playing time per participation	1:47	2:20	2:25	3:35
Aver. Rest time between sequence	2:03	2:20	3:08	4:32
Aver. recovery time to playing time	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.3

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GOALKEEPER - THE "PIVOT" BEHIND

The top-tier teams have excellent goalkeepers who played a prominent and important role in command of the team's formation. In attack, they were often the instigators, taking shots and scoring, and creating scoring opportunities. Their technical and tactical ability playing with the foot or hand, both aerial and ground balls, were key attributes that affected the whole team.

Nevertheless, this did not deprive them of the specificity of their role. They were also good at positioning themselves under the goal, catching, blocking and deflecting, both in open plays and set plays, and dealing with different heights and kinds of shots.

GK's contribution to goals

Goals		Goals by GK	GK's shooting accuracy	Assists made by GK	GK's goal
Top four	115	7 goals	73 / 147 (50%)	25	25.2%
Rest	127	6 goals	136 / 294 (46%)	14	17.4%
Overall	242	13 goals		39	21.5%





The statistics on the goalkeepers' contribution to goals clearly demonstrate a pattern that is often not typically understood. Their direct contribution to the goals were more than one-fifth overall but was even remarkably higher in the top four teams, by contributing to more than a quarter of the goals produced. These may give a profile of the roles of goalkeepers and their expected skills:





GOALSCORING ANALYSIS GOALSGORING ANALYSIS

The total number of goals throughout the tournament decreased to 242 goals, seven less compared to the last edition, despite the champions, IR Iran, scoring a record-breaking total of 55 goals that accounted for approximately 23%.

Statistics surrounding the goals can also show us the trend about the gap between the Benchmarks, or the top four of each edition, and the rest. The first reference, which is the average number of goals per match, shows us that it has not changed much for the latest three editions, with around seven goals.

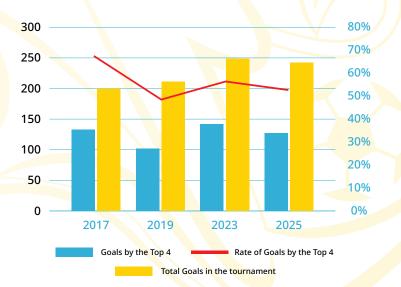
GOALS SCORED PER MATCH

Trend from 2017
87%
90%
84%



	2017	2019	2023	2025
Champion	50 (IRN)	35 (JPN)	54 (IRN)	55 (IRN)
Runners-up	25 (UAE)	28 (UAE)	35 (JPN)	29 (OMA)
3rd-place	41 (JPN)	19 (OMA)	35 (OMA)	28 (JPN)
4th-place	17 (LBN)	20 (PLE)	18 (UAE)	15 (KSA)





GOALSCORING ANALYSIS GOALSCORING ANALYSIS

WHERE THE GOALS CAME FROM

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15 (6%)	88 (36.4%)	9 (3.7%)
17 (7%)	56 (23.1%)	9 (3.7%)
2 (0.8%)	14 (5.8%)	3 (1.2%)
1 (0.4%)	6 2.5%)	1 (0.4%)
3 (1.2%)	17 (7.0%)	1 (0.4%)
0	0	0

WHERE THE ASSISTS WERE MADE FROM (TOTAL 130)

13	5	21
(10%)	(4%)	(16%)
9	2	15
(6.9%)	(1.5%)	(11.5%)
3	13	8
(2.3%)	(10%)	(6.2%)
0	2 (1.5%)	0
2	16	3
(1.5%)	(12.3%)	(2.3%)
2	15	1
(1.5%)	(11.5%)	(0.8%)

WHERE THE BALL WENT IN

15	25	17
(6.2%)	(10.3%)	(7%)
33	21	29
(13.6%)	(8.7%)	(12%)
40	23	39
(16.5%)	(9.5%)	(16.1%)



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HOW THE GOALS WERE SCORED

PUSHED- IN AT 2ND POST	PUSHED-IN REBOUNDS	SOLO EFFORTS	BICYCLE KICKS
18 goals	17 goals	27 goals	49 goals
7.4%	7.0%	11.2%	20.2%

GOALS FROM SET PLAYS

TOTAL 71 GOALS	29.3%
СК	14 goals
FK	28 goals
PK	14 goals
Throw-in	12 goals
Kick-off	3 goals



HOW THE SCORING OPPORTUNITY WAS MADE

GK DISTRIBUTION	SOLO EFFORT	REBOUND	TRANSITION	SET PLAYS	OTHERS
38	44	20	32	71	37
15.7%	18.2%	8.3%	13.2%	29.3%	15.3%

GOALSCORING ANALYSIS GOALSGORING ANALYSIS

SHOOTING ACCURACY - SHOTS ON TARGET

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TEAM	SHOTS	ON TARGET	ACCURACY	GOALS
Indonesia	62	25	40.3%	9
Malaysia	86	23	26.7%	9
Thailand	101	34	33.7%	15
Vietnam	96	34	35.4%	6
Afghanistan	66	17	25.8%	5
IR Iran	239	95	39.7%	55
China PR	62	16	25.8%	7
Japan	189	75	39.7%	28
India	75	23	30.7%	3
Bahrain	140	50	35.7%	7
Iraq	90	37	41.1%	7
Kuwait	120	44	36.7%	11
Lebanon	149	52	34.9%	18
Oman	194	75	38.7%	29
Saudi Arabia	194	67	34.5%	15
UAE	147	51	34.7%	18



GOALSCORING ANALYSIS GOALSCORING ANALYSIS

TOP GOAL SCORERS

NAME	GOALS	POSITION
ALI MIRSHEKARI (IRN)	12	FP
MAHDI SHIRMOHAMMADI (IRN)	7	FP
MOHAMMAD MASOUMIZADEH (IRN)	7	FP
MUSALLAM MAHFOODH AL ARAIMI (OMA)	7	FP
YAHYA AL MURAIKI (OMA)	7	FP
MOHAMMAD AL SALEH (LBN)	7	FP
TAKAAKI OBA (JPN)	6	FP
MAJED SHAMHANI (KSA)	6	FP
MOHAMMED HAJEYAH (KUW)	6	FP

MOST ASSISTS

NAME	ASSISTS	POSITION
SEYEDMAHDI MIRJALILI (IRN)	7	GK
MOUSTAFA AL ZEIN (LBN)	6	FP
MOVAHED MOHAMMADPOUR (IRN)	5	FP
YUSUKE KAWAI (JPN)	5	GK
SEYEDMOHAMMAD DASTAN (IRN)	4	GK
SURIYA BORIDET (THA)	4	GK
ABBAS ALI DARYAEI (UAE)	4	FP
MOHAMMADALI NAZARZADEH (IRN)	3	FP
ABDULLAH MASOUD SALIM (OMA)	3	FP
OUNIS KHAMIS AL-OWAISI (OMA)	3	GK
MASAYUKI YOSHIDA (THA)	3	FP





THE WINNING COACH THE WINNING GOAGH

HEAD COACH OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN: ALI NADERI HOSSEIN ABADI

1. How would you evaluate your team's overall performance in the tournament?

Our team entered the tournament in peak condition, both physically and mentally. The results speak for themselves—we were in top form. Leading up to the event, we made several important changes, including integrating a number of young players into the squad. Their performances were highly positive and they contributed significantly to our success.

The most crucial factors behind our triumph were strong tactical and technical organisation, high-calibre players, and a united, cohesive team spirit. These elements combined to give us a winning edge.

2. Do you have any comments about other teams?

The overall quality of the tournament was high, but I believe what truly set us apart was the collective spirit and individual excellence of our players. We were also motivated to make history by becoming the first team to win consecutive titles.

3. What is your strength compared to other Asian teams?

The defining strength of our team lies in the quality and unity of our players. Every member of the squad played a role, and remarkably, all of them scored during the tournament. This was no coincidence—it was the result of both their individual skill and our team's offensive tactical setup, which was designed to create scoring opportunities for everyone on the field.





ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
1	SEYEDMAHDI MIRJALILI	05-07-1999	GK
2	ABBAS REZAEI	08-07-1992	FP
3	REZA AMIRI ZADEH	19-03-1997	FP
4	SAEID PIRAMOUN	02-02-1995	FP
5	SEYED ALI NAZEM	14-04-1993	FP
6	MAHDI SHIRMOHAMMADI	28-03-1995	FP
7	ALI MIRSHEKARI	24-02-1997	FP
8	MOVAHED MOHAMMADPOUR	07-01-1995	FP
9	MOHAMMADALI MOKHTARI	04-07-1990	FP
10	MOHAMMADALI NAZARZADEH	29-11-1999	FP
11	MOHAMMAD MASOUMIZADEH	26-02-1997	FP
12	SEYEDMOHAMMAD DASTAN	04-12-1996	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs Indonesia (IDN)	12-2
2025-03-23	Afghanistan (AFG)	<u>14-0</u>
2025-03-25	vs United Arab Emirates (UAE)	<u>4-3</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-27	vs Bahrain (BHR)	<u>11-0</u>
SEMI-FINALS		
2025-03-29	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>6-0</u>
FINAL		
2025-03-30	vs Oman (OMA)	<u>8-1</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: ALI NADERI HOSSEIN ABADI IRN Coach: MOHAMMAD MIHANDOOST IRN Fitness Coach: BEHZAD NOSHADI IRN



HEAD COACH

ALI NADERI HOSSEIN ABADI

Nationality: IR Iran

STATISTICS

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
6	55	6	239	95	16	8	0
TOP SO	CORER	ALI MIRSHEKARI : 12 goals					



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position	
1	AMJAD 'ABDALLAH AL-HAMDANI	13-05-1994	GK	
2	ABDULLAH MASOUD SALIM	10-08-1993	FP	
3	MUSALLAM MAHFOODH AL ARAIMI	01-10-2004	FP	
4	YAHYA AL MURAIKI	13-01-1998	FP	
5	MANDHAR HILAL AL ARAIMI	22-05-1984	FP	
6	MUSHEL HILAL AL ARAIMI	09-03-1986	FP	
7	AHMED RABI'A AL OWAISI	20-07-1998	FP	
8	NOOH SALIM AL ZADJALI	10-08-1991	FP	
9	SAMI FAIL AL BULUSHI	04-09-1994	FP	
10	KHALID KHAMIS ALORAIMI	17-03-1992	FP	
11	SALIM MOHAMMED AL ORAIMI	30-03-1997	FP	
12	YOUNIS KHAMIS AL-OWAISI	29-01-1993	GK	



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE			
2025-03-21	vs Vietnam (VIE)	<u>7-1</u>			
2025-03-23	vs Malaysia (MAS)	<u>6-3</u>			
2025-03-25	vs Bahrain (BHR)	<u>5-1</u>			
QUARTER-FINALS					
2025-03-27	vs United Arab Emirates (UAE)	<u>7-2</u>			
SEMI-FINALS					
2025-03-29	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>3-2</u>			
FINAL					
2025-03-30	vs IR Iran (IRN)	<u>1-8</u>			

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: TALIB HILAL MOHAMMED AL-THANAWI OMA

YUSUF ABEID KHATIBU OMA



HEAD COACH

TALIB HILAL MOHAMMED AL-THANAWI

Nationality: Oman

STATISTICS

GK Coach:

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
6	29	17	194	75	4	5	0
TOP SO	CORER	MUSALLAM MAHFOODH AL ARAIMI: 7 goals YAHYA AL MURAIKI: 7 goals			oals		

JAPAN

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
1	YUSUKE KAWAI	06-05-1988	GK
2	MASATO OTA	19-02-1996	FP
3	KEN MATSUMOTO	28-08-1987	FP
4	KOSUKE MATSUDA	26-09-1986	FP
5	RYOTA TSUBOYA	17-06-1994	FP
6	TAKUYA AKAGUMA	21-11-1989	FP
7	TAKAAKI OBA	24-12-1992	FP
8	TAKUMI UESATO	29-04-1990	FP
9	MASATO SUZUKI	08-06-1991	FP
10	OZU MOREIRA	21-01-1986	FP
11	CHIKARA EGURO	27-03-1996	FP
12	TAKERU FURUSATO	18-01-2001	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Iraq (IRQ)	<u>4-3</u>
2025-03-22	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>7-2</u>
2025-03-24	vs China PR (CHN)	<u>4-1</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-26	vs Lebanon (LBN)	<u>8-3</u>
SEMI-FINALS		
2025-03-29	vs OMAN (OMA)	<u>2-3</u>
THIRD-PLACE PLA		
2025-03-30	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>3-1</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach:TERUKI TABATAJPNCoach:MASANORI OKUYAMAJPNGK Coach:TOMOYA GINOZAJPNAnalyst:DAI WATANABEJPN

HEAD COACH

TERUKI TABATA

Nationality: Japan

STATISTICS

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
6	28	13	189	75	10	2	0
TOP SO	CORER	TAKAAKI OBA: 6 goals					

SAUDI ARABIA

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position	
1	MOHAMMED ALAJMI	07-07-1996	GK	
2	HASSAN ALEID	24-01-2005	GK	
3	OMAR KARK	28-10-2002	FP	
4	AHMED ALHAMAMI	19-03-2000	FP	
5	RABYI SUFYANI	25-01-1987	FP	
6	MUBARAK ALDUOASRI	01-04-1987	FP	
7	RAMZI DAKMAN	29-08-1995	FP	
8	WALEED ALYOUBI	09-10-1992	FP	
9	MAJED SHAMHANI	21-10-1999	FP	
10	KHALID MUDHAYA	31-05-1995	FP	
11	ESLAM HUSSAIN	03-07-1989	FP	
12	QASEM DIBAJI	26-10-2000	FP	



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE				
2025-03-20	vs China PR (CHN)	<u>5-3</u>				
2025-03-22	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>2-7</u>				
2025-03-24	vs Iraq (IRQ)	<u>3-2</u>				
QUARTER-FINALS						
2025-03-26	vs Thailand (THA)	<u>4-3</u>				
SEMI-FINALS						
2025-03-29	vs IR IRAN (IRN)	<u>0-6</u>				
THIRD-PLACE PLAYOFF						
2025-03-30	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>1-3</u>				

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: GUSTAVO HENRIQUE BRA

Coach: ABDULRAHMAN ALBORY KSA

Analyst: ROBERTO JORGE DE AZEVEDO BRA

CAVALCANTI NETO



HEAD COACH

GUSTAVO HENRIQUE

Nationality: Brazil

STATISTICS

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
6	15	24	194	67	0	2	0
TOP S	CORER	MAJED SHAMHANI: 6 goals					



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
1	SURIYA BORIDET	26-10-1995	GK
2	WATCHARA LEPAIJIT	27-08-1982	FP
3	NATEE JEEPON	28-10-1986	FP
4	MASAYUKI YOSHIDA	09-11-1994	FP
5	RATCHANON CHANTASAN	15-07-2001	FP
6	ADITHEP BUNKIT	04-06-2002	FP
7	WUTTINAN PRUETHONG	12-02-1997	FP
8	TANANDON PRARACHA	15-06-1983	FP
9	JAKE STOTEN	17-09-2005	FP
10	KOMKRIT NANAN	14-03-1985	FP
11	RATTHAPHONG NADEE	28-01-1999	FP
12	APHINAN DUNGKHOKKRUAD	26-07-2005	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs India (IND)	<u>3-0</u>
2025-03-22	vs Lebanon (LBN)	<u>5-4</u>
2025-03-24	vs Kuwait (KUW)	<u>4-3</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-26	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>3-4</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: ATSUO OGURA

LARM-URAI KITTIPONG



HEAD COACH

ATSUO OGURA

Nationality: Japan

STATISTICS

Analyst:

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
4	15	11	101	34	5	6	0
TOP SCORER		KOMKRIT NANAN: 5 goals					

THA

LEBANON

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	MOHAMED CHOKER	01-09-1988	GK		
2	MOHAMAD OSSMAN	04-04-1992	FP		
3	AHMAD KAAWAR	25-03-1994	FP		
4	AHMAD EL KHATIB	04-10-1991	FP		
5	SAMEH JALAL	01-06-1988	FP		
6	MAHMOUD MICHLIB MATAR	26-09-1994	FP		
7	MOUSTAFA AL ZEIN	10-07-1993	FP		
8	MOHAMAD MERHI	15-10-1982	FP		
9	MOHAMAD HAIDAR	02-01-2001	FP		
10	MOHAMMAD AL SALEH	19-12-2003	FP		
11	MOHAMMAD HAIDAR	14-06-2001	FP		
12	HUSSEIN SALAME	04-04-1988	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Kuwait (KUW)	<u>5-4</u>
2025-03-22	vs Thailand (THA)	<u>4-5</u>
2025-03-24	vs India (IND)	<u>6-1</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-26	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>3-8</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: KHALED BERJAUI LBN

Coach: HASSAN EZXZEDDINE LBN

GK Coach: BILAL HACHIEM LBN



HEAD COACH

KHALED BERJAUI

Nationality: Lebanon

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
4	18	18	149	52	3	3	0
TOP SO	CORER			MOHAMMAD AI	L SALEH: 7 goals		

C UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	MOHAMED ABDULLA	07-09-1988	GK		
2	RASHID OBAID ALI	28-11-1993	FP		
3	AHMED BESHR SALEM	11-02-1989	FP		
4	WALEED BESHR SALEM	29-05-1991	FP		
5	ABBAS ALI DARYAEI	25-01-1989	FP		
6	JASSIM AHMED HUSSAINI	07-10-1998	FP		
7	MOHAMMAD OBAID MOHAMMAD	18-02-1989	FP		
8	ALI MOHAMMAD	19-08-1996	FP		
9	ABDULLA ABBAS ALBLOOSHI	04-04-1994	FP		
10	WALID MOHAMMAD	01-04-1984	FP		
11	RASHED EID YAQOUB	22-01-1993	FP		
12	HUMAID JAMAL	15-08-1989	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs Afghanistan (AFG)	<u>7-1</u>
2025-03-23	vs Indonesia (IDN)	<u>6-1</u>
2025-03-24	vs IR Iran (IRN)	<u>3-4</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-27	vs Oman (OMA)	<u>2-7</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach:VICTOR BARROSBRACoach:ITALO BARBOSABRAAssistant
Coach:JOSE RODRIGOBRAAnalyst:SAULO JOSEBRA



HEAD COACH

VICTOR BARROS

Nationality: Brazil

	Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
	4	18	13	147	51	6	3	1
TOP SCORER				Al	BDULLA ABBAS A	LBLOOSHI: 5 goa	ıls	

BAHRAIN

MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	SAYED MOHAMED ABBAS	07-05-1986	GK		
2	AHMED MOHAMED EBRAHIM KHALAF ALDOSERI	05-05-1986	FP		
3	ISA MOHAMED ALDOSERI	05-12-1990	FP		
4	ISA GHALEB	23-04-1991	FP		
5	MOHAMED JAAFAR HUSAIN	03-10-1997	FP		
6	HAMED ABDULLA ALI	21-07-1997	FP		
7	ALI HASANAIN HAMZA	17-04-2001	FP		
8	AKBAR SAEED ALSAIBEI	26-10-1982	FP		
9	MOHAMED DARWISH EBRAHIM	09-02-1987	FP		
10	HUSAIN ALI ALDOSERI	06-06-1989	FP		
11	SAMOUL ELSIR ALNOOR	26-10-1994	FP		
12	AHMED ABDULRASOOL	16-10-1993	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs Malaysia (MAS)	<u>4-3</u>
2025-03-23	vs Vietnam (VIE)	<u>2-4</u>
2025-03-24	vs Oman (OMA)	<u>1-5</u>
QUARTER-FINALS		
2025-03-27	vs IR Iran (IRN)	<u>0-11</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: SADEQ MOHAMED ALI ABDULLA MARHOON BHR

Coach: SKANDER SGHAIER TUN

Fitness Coach: GHAITH BEN JEDDOU TUN

HEAD COACH

SADEQ MOHAMED ALI ABDULLA MARHOON

Nationality: Bahrain

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
4	7	23	140	50	0	3	1
TOP SO	CORER			HUSAIN ALI ALI	DOSERI: 3 goals		

TEAM PROFILES TEAM PROFILES



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	OMAR ALFAILAKAWI	07-01-1998	GK		
2	JASSIM ALSABEA	16-07-1982	FP		
3	JASEM ALHARBAN	24-09-1993	FP		
4	MESHAL SHAFEI	23-09-1987	FP		
5	MOHAMMAD ALKANDARI	16-03-1987	FP		
6	WAYEL ALSHAMMARI	11-09-1986	FP		
7	MOHAMMED HAJEYAH	07-11-1987	FP		
8	OMAR ALROUQI	10-12-1994	FP		
9	FAISAL ALMANAYE	23-06-1995	FP		
10	MAHDI ALQALLAF	25-04-1988	FP		
11	ABDULAZIZ ALSALEM	05-11-1996	FP		
12	MOHAMMAD ALSHAER	01-12-1991	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Lebanon (LBN)	<u>4-5</u>
2025-03-22	vs India (IND)	<u>4-2</u>
2025-03-24	vs Thailand (THA)	<u>3-4</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: TAREQ R A ALKHALEDI

HUSSAIN ALI GK Coach:

KUW KUW



HEAD COACH

TAREQ R A ALKHALEDI

Nationality: Kuwait

	Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
	3	11	11	120	44	3	4	0
TOP SCORER				MOHAMMED H	AJEYAH: 6 goals			



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	MOHAMAD SYUJAK NASIR	07-02-1994	GK		
2	MUHAMAD FITRAH MOHAMAD	05-02-1998	FP		
3	MUHAMMAD QUSHAIRIE ASAARI	26-02-1998	FP		
4	MOHAMAD NORAZMAN BAKAR	03-03-1998	FP		
5	MUHAMMAD FARIS IMAN MAHADI	10-02-2005	FP		
6	WAN MUHAMMAD SYARIF	15-03-1998	FP		
7	MOHD FAISAL SAHARUDIN	10-10-1990	FP		
8	MUHAMAD HAFIZAL MOHAMAD	21-01-1993	FP		
9	MOHD RIDHWAN ZAINAL	10-01-1988	FP		
10	MUHAMMAD ZULHAIRI ISMAIL	24-02-1996	FP		
11	MUHAMMAD AKHMAL NIZAR MADZALAN	10-06-2000	FP		
12	KHAIRUL FAHMI JAMARIZA	21-03-2001	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs Bahrain (BHR)	<u>3-4</u>
2025-03-23	vs Oman (OMA)	<u>3-6</u>
2025-03-25	vs Vietnam (VIE)	<u>3-1</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

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MOHD SAIFUL NOOR

Nationality: Malaysia

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
3	9	11	86	23	1	2	0
TOP SO	CORER	MU		HAMAD HAFIZAL	. MOHAMAD: 5 gc	oals	

INDONESIA

MEMBER LIST

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7	I KETUT SUDIARTAWAN	06-12-1989	FP
8	DEMON PRADIK	21-09-1998	FP
9	MADE ADHI KURNIAWAN	21-08-1997	FP
10	AGUNG TEGUH	28-12-1992	FP
11	ANGGA PRATAMA	11-12-1998	FP
12	SATRIYO BUDI NUGROHO	10-01-1993	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs IR Iran (IRN)	<u>2-12</u>
2025-03-23	vs United Arab Emirates (UAE)	<u>1-6</u>
2025-03-25	vs Afghanistan (AFG)	<u>6-4</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

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Coach: PUTU AGUS IDN

Coach: KETUT WIRADANA IDN

PUTU SUDARNA

Assistant Coach:



HEAD COACH

IDA BAGUS NYOMAN MAHAYASA

Nationality: Indonesia

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
3	9	22	62	25	0	4	0
TOP SCORER				AGUNG TEC	GUH: 4 goals		



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
1	HUANG YUGENG	22-02-2000	GK
2	HAN XUEGENG	10-07-1989	FP
3	HAO MINHUI	01-09-1986	FP
4	LIANG ZHUJUN	22-12-2001	FP
5	WANG YU	23-01-1991	FP
6	WANG JUN	16-09-2000	FP
7	BAI FAN	11-03-1995	FP
8	CAI WEIMING	15-01-1991	FP
9	LIU HAORAN	01-05-1996	FP
10	LIU YISI	24-03-1988	FP
11	GONG ENJIAN	11-07-2003	FP
12	GUO WEI	18-02-1997	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>3-5</u>
2025-03-22	vs Iraq (IRQ)	<u>3-2</u>
2025-03-24	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>1-4</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: MARCELO SILVEIRA MENDES

Coach: ZHANG XIAOYU

Analyst: SUN YAORAN

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HEAD COACH

MARCELO SILVEIRA MENDES

Nationality: Brazil

	Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
	3	7	11	62	16	0	6	0
TOP SCORER			WA	ANG JUN: 2 goals	LIU YISI: 2 go	als		

TEAM PROFILES TEAM PROFILES



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position		
1	NGUYEN HUU AN	02-07-1991	GK		
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4	MAI DUC RIM	12-08-1996	FP		
5	MAI VAN MANH	01-02-1991	FP		
6	TRAN NGOC BAO	16-01-1996	FP		
7	TRAN VINH PHONG	01-08-1989	FP		
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9	VO HOANG PHU QUI	17-08-1997	FP		
10	PHAM TRUONG DU	27-01-1999	FP		
11	NGUYEN HOANG QUAN	12-02-1994	FP		
12	NGUYEN ANH QUANG	06-11-1998	GK		



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs Oman (OMA)	<u>1-7</u>
2025-03-23	vs Bahrain (BHR)	<u>4-2</u>
2025-03-25	vs Malaysia (MAS)	<u>1-3</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: MAI VAN DUC VIE

Coach: DO VIET CUONG VIE

Coach: NGUYEN HOANG NAM VIE



HEAD COACH

MAI VAN DUC

Nationality: Vietnam

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
3	6	12	96	34	0	2	0
TOP SCORER			PHAN DA	T: 3 goals			



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
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4	ALI JABBAR AL-RUBAIAWI	12-09-1993	FP
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6	ALI AHMED AL-LAMI	13-11-1995	FP
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11	HUSSEIN KHUDHAIR AL-KINANI	01-04-1989	FP
12	ALI ABDULNABI ALBU-DARAJ	03-01-1997	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Japan (JPN)	<u>3-4</u>
2025-03-22	vs China PR (CHN)	<u>2-3</u>
2025-03-24	vs Saudi Arabia (KSA)	<u>2-3</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: ABBAS HASHEM POUR

Coach: SEYED PEYMAN HOSSEINI

IRN IRN



HEAD COACH

ABBAS HASHEM POUR

Nationality: IR Iran

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards	
3	7	10	90	37	0	3	1	
TOP SCORER			H	AYDER ABBAS AL	-GHANIMI: 3 goa	ls		



MEMBER LIST

No.	Name	Date of Birth	Position
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5	UMARUL MUKTHAR KUTTIYALI	26-11-2001	FP
6	NEHAL NANDU	08-08-1997	FP
7	ROHITH YESUDAS	09-08-2002	FP
8	JAYPAL SINGH	16-02-1994	FP
9	MOHAMMED AKRAM	27-11-2003	FP
10	MUHSEER BADAVATHUMAD	13-09-2002	FP
11	AMIT GODARA	07-08-2001	FP
12	RAJ MAHIPATSINH	20-09-1999	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-20	vs Thailand (THA)	<u>0-3</u>
2025-03-22	vs Kuwait (KUW)	<u>2-4</u>
2025-03-24	vs Lebanon (LBN)	<u>1-6</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

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Coach: AKSHAY NEGI

GK Coach: SURAJ BALARAM JAISWAL



HEAD COACH

MOHD FAIZA SO'OD

Nationality: Malaysia

STATISTICS

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards	
3	3	13	75	23	0	2	0	
TOP S	CORER	SATISI	H SUBHASH: 1 gc	al ROHITH YE	SUDAS: 1 goal	AMIT GODARA:	1 goal	

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AFGHANISTAN

MEMBER LIST

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4	MOHAMMAD HAROON NAZARI	20-03-1996	FP
5	SAYED SIASI	24-03-1995	FP
6	MURTAZA JAFARI	09-09-1995	FP
7	OMID HOMAUNI	05-05-1993	FP
8	SAMI ULLAH MOHAMMADI	31-07-1991	FP
9	ABO SINA HASSAN ZADA	30-04-1997	FP
10	MOHAMMAD AKBAR BAHADURI	11-07-2002	FP
11	ABDUL SAMIR NAZIRI	01-05-2004	FP
12	OMID HAIDARI	24-04-1999	GK



GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2025-03-21	vs United Arab Emirates (UAE)	<u>1-7</u>
2025-03-23	vs IR Iran (IRN)	<u>0-14</u>
2025-03-25	vs Indonesia (IDN)	<u>4-6</u>

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: MEYSAM ASHTIYANI IRN

Coach: SIAMAK CHOOPANY BABAKI IRN

Coach: ALI JUBAIR LALI AFG



HEAD COACH

MEYSAM ASHTIYANI

Nationality: IR Iran

Matches Played	Goals Scored	Goals Against	Shots	Attempts on Target	Bicycle-kick Goals	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
3	5	27	66	17	17 0 2		0
TOP SO	CORER	OMID HOMAUNI: 2 goals					



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GROUP A								
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
THAILAND	3	3	0	0	12	7	5	9
LEBANON	3	2	0	1	15	10	5	6
KUWAIT	3	1	0	2	11	11	0	3
INDIA	3	0	0	3	3	13	-10	0

Date	Team A	Score	Team B	
20 Mar,25	KUWAIT	4:5 (1:3, 3:1, 0:1)	LEBANON	
20 Mar,25	THAILAND	3:0 (0:0, 1:0, 2:0)	INDIA	
22 Mar,25	INDIA	2:4 (1:1, 0:1, 1:2)	KUWAIT	
22 Mar,25	LEBANON	4:5 (1:2, 2:2, 1:1)	THAILAND	
24 Mar,25	LEBANON	6:1 (2:0, 2:1, 2:0)	INDIA	
24 Mar,25	THAILAND	4-3 AET (3:0, 0:0, 0:3, 1:0)	KUWAIT	

GROUP B								
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
JAPAN	3	3	0	0	15	6	9	9
SAUDI ARABIA	3	2	0	1	10	12	-2	6
CHINA PR	3	1	0	2	7	11	-4	3
IRAQ	3	0	0	3	7	10	-3	0

Date	Team A	Score	Team B
20 Mar,25	JAPAN	4:3 (1:2, 2:0, 1:1)	IRAQ
20 Mar,25	CHINA PR	3:5 (1:1, 2:2, 0:2)	SAUDI ARABIA
22 Mar,25	IRAQ	2-3 AET (1:1, 1:0, 0:1, 0:1)	CHINA PR
22 Mar,25	SAUDI ARABIA	2:7 (1:5, 0:0, 1:2)	JAPAN
24 Mar,25	SAUDI ARABIA	3:2 (1:0, 1:1, 1:1)	IRAQ
24 Mar,25	JAPAN	4:1 (0:0, 2:0, 2:1)	CHINA PR

^{*} The standing table is based on points, goal difference and number of goals of the teams tied

GROUP C

	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN	3	3	0	0	30	5	25	9
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	3	2	0	1	16	6	10	6
INDONESIA	3	1	0	2	9	22	-13	3
AFGHANISTAN	3	0	0	3	5	27	-22	0

Date	Team A	Score	Team B
21 Mar,25	ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN	12:2 (2:0, 3:1, 7:1)	INDONESIA
21 Mar,25	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	7:1 (2:1, 3:0, 2:0)	AFGHANISTAN
23 Mar,25	INDONESIA	1:6 (0:2, 1:3, 0:1)	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
23 Mar,25	AFGHANISTAN	0:14 (0:3, 0:4, 0:7)	ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN
25 Mar,25	AFGHANISTAN	4:6 (1:2, 1:1, 2:3)	INDONESIA
25 Mar,25	ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN	4:3 (2:1, 0:1, 2:1)	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

GROUP D

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	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
OMAN	3	3	0	0	18	5	13	9
MALAYSIA *	3	1	0	2	9	11	-2	3
VIETNAM *	3	1	0	2	6	12	-6	3
BAHRAIN *	3	1	0	2	7	12	-5	3

Date	Team A	Score	Team B	
21 Mar,25	OMAN	7:1 (2:0, 2:0, 3:1)	VIETNAM	
21 Mar,25	BAHRAIN	4:3 (1:1, 2:1, 1:1)	MALAYSIA	
23 Mar,25	VIETNAM	4-2 AET (1:0, 0:0, 1:2, 2:0)	BAHRAIN	
23 Mar,25	MALAYSIA	3:6 (0:2, 2:1, 1:3)	OMAN	
25 Mar,25	MALAYSIA	3:1 (0:0, 1:0, 2:1)	VIETNAM	
25 Mar,25	OMAN	5:1 (2:0, 2:0, 1:1)	BAHRAIN	

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QUARTER-FINALS

Date	Team A	Score	Team B
26 Mar,25	THAILAND	3:4 (1:1, 1:0, 1:3)	SAUDI ARABIA
26 Mar,25	JAPAN	8:3 (2:0, 4:1, 2:2)	LEBANON
27 Mar,25	ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN	11:0 (3:0, 3:0, 5:0)	BAHRAIN
27 Mar,25	OMAN	7:2 (3:2, 2:0, 2:0)	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

SEMI-FINALS

29 Mar,25	SAUDI ARABIA	0:6 (0:2, 0:1, 0:3)	ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN
29 Mar,25	JAPAN	2:3 (0:1, 2:0, 0:2)	OMAN

THIRD-PLACE PLAYOFF

30 Mar,25 SAUDI ARABIA 1:3 (0:1, 1:1, 0:1) JAPAN

FINAL

30 Mar,25 ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN 8:1 (1:0, 5:1, 2:0) OMAN





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1. SUMMARY

- A total of 20 match officials were appointed to officiate the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™ Thailand 2025.
 - The breakdown of officials is as follows:
 - 20 Beach Soccer referees
 - Two (2) Stand-by Beach Soccer referees
- The team of match officials played a key role in upholding fair play and enforcing the rules, significantly contributing to the competition's success and integrity.

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR/ASSESSOR

NO.	NAME	MA
1	Seyedsadreddin Mousavi	IRN
2	Masahiro Sakurada	JPN
3	Turki ' Abdullah Said Al Salehi	OMA



NO.	NAME	MA
4	Ebrahim Yousef Khalaf Jaber Almansoori	UAE
5	Bakhtiyor Namazov	UZB

FITNESS INSTRUCTOR

NO.	NAME	MA
1	Choi Young-in	KOR

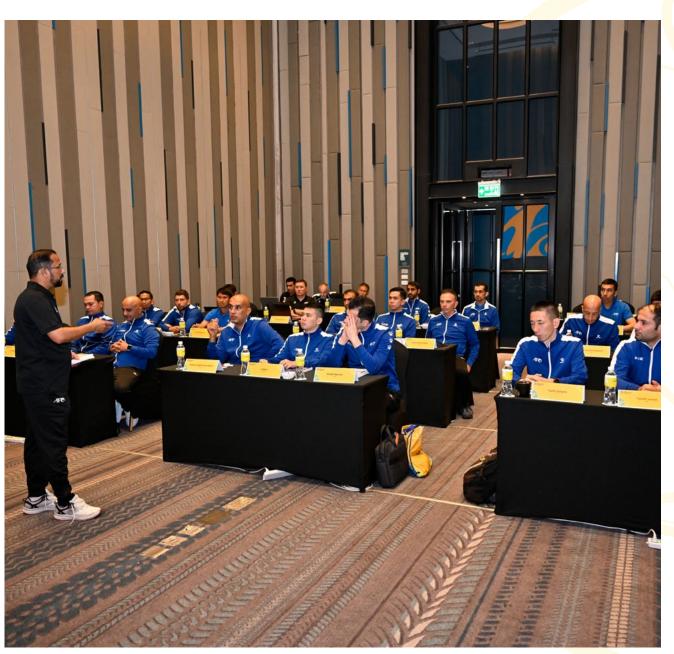
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3	Lai Chengyang	CHN
4	Mehran Khalili	IRN
5	Javad Fallahi	IRN
6	Akram Mahdi Saleh	IRQ
7	Yuichi Hatano	JPN
8	Abdulaziz M A Abdullah	KUW
9	Hassan Abed Rabbo	LBN
10	Muhammad Syahir Shaharul Nizam	MAS
11	Mohd Amirul Aizat Mohd Lodin	MAS
12	Zukri Al Hinai	OMA
13	Fallah Hassan Mohammed Al Balushi	OMA

NO.	NAME	MA
14	Samer Karram	SYR
15	Suwat Wongsuwan	THA
16	Suparith Udma	THA
17	Timur Gulmyradov	TKM
18	Hussein Nawaf Ahmad Hassan	UAE
19	Ibrahim Yousif Abdulla Ahmed Al Raeesi	UAE
20	Nayim Kosimov	UZB



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STANDBY REFEREES

NO.	NAME	MA
1	Li Qibin	CHN
2	Atsunobu Hamabe	JPN

1.2 SUPPORT TEAM

- Referees' Liaison Officers (LOs): By supporting the programme implementation and coordinating the logistical arrangements, the LOs played a key role in strengthening communication between the hosts, ensuring smooth operations, and resolving logistical issues during the event.
- A dedicated medical team and an ambulance were on-site during the Fitness Check Day.
- This setup was arranged to enable prompt emergency response and to provide first aid for any injuries or medical concerns during the Fitness Check.

2. PREPARATORY COURSE

- A four-day Preparatory Course, held from March 16 to 19, 2025, was conducted to prepare the appointed referees for the competition.
- The course included fitness checks and practical and theoretical sessions to improve their officiating skills.

2.1 FITNESS CHECK

- All match officials completed their fitness assessments, confirming their physical preparedness to officiate the matches.
- The Assistant Referee Intermittent Endurance Test fitness evaluation for all appointed referees was conducted on March 17, 2025. All referees met the requirement of 15.5-3.

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2.2 PRACTICAL SESSIONS

- During the preparatory course for match officials, daily practical sessions were held at the Beach Soccer Venue and the hotel, with local team players also providing their support.
- These sessions covered:
 - Positioning and Movement: The practice of optimal positioning to enhance visibility and decision-making.
 - Concentration: Developed techniques to improve focus throughout matches.
 - Teamwork: Promoted effective communication and collaboration among officials.
 - Fitness Activities: Performed drills aimed at building endurance and agility.
- These sessions provided comprehensive training, preparing officials with the necessary physical conditioning and mental resilience to effectively oversee the matches.

2.3 THEORETICAL SESSIONS

- The preparatory course for match officials included theoretical sessions to improve their technical knowledge and ensure the consistent application of the Laws of the Game.
- The sessions included:
 - Analysis and discussions on the various incidents via videos to enhance their understanding of the rules and improve their application in diverse match situations.
 - Receiving targeted fitness and technical performance feedback to support match readiness.

- The theoretical sessions covered the following subject areas:
- Technical:
 - Laws of the Game Amendments 24/25
 - Fitness Test Protocol
 - Kick-off procedure
 - Responsibility of Match Officials
 - Challenges
 - Denying an Obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity
 - Scissors Kick
 - Handball
 - Management of Free Kicks
 - Management of the 4-Second Rule
 - Management of Penalty Kicks
 - Game Control
 - Positioning & Movement
 - Competition Preparation

- Fitness:
- Weight Control
- Recovery Exercises
- The course addressed technical and fitness aspects to provide match officials with the knowledge and necessary skills for effective officiating, and maintaining the optimum physical fitness throughout the tournament.
- Administration
 - Competition Overview & Match Procedures
 - Management of Communication Systems



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3. DURING THE COMPETITION

3.1 PRACTICAL SESSIONS

- Daily practical training sessions during the competition focused on fitness conditioning, maintenance, and post-match recovery.
- Fitness Conditioning and Maintenance: These sessions were carefully designed to help match officials maintain peak physical condition, enabling them to perform effectively throughout the competition. The training included a mix of cardiovascular workouts, strength exercises, agility drills, and flexibility routines tailored to the specific demands of refereeing. Emphasis was placed on building endurance, speed, and resilience to sustain their performance across multiple matches.
- Post-Match Recovery: Following each match, officials participated in gym and pool recovery sessions. These activities formed a key part of their post-match routine and aided physical and mental recovery after on-field exertion. Gym sessions involved light exercises, stretching, and foam rolling to reduce muscle tension and support recovery, while pool sessions helped relax muscles and promote overall relaxation.
- By incorporating fitness conditioning and postmatch recovery into their daily schedule, the programme demonstrated a strong commitment to supporting the health and performance of match officials. This holistic approach likely contributed to their ability to upholding the highest officiating standards throughout the competition while reducing the risk of fatigue or injury.

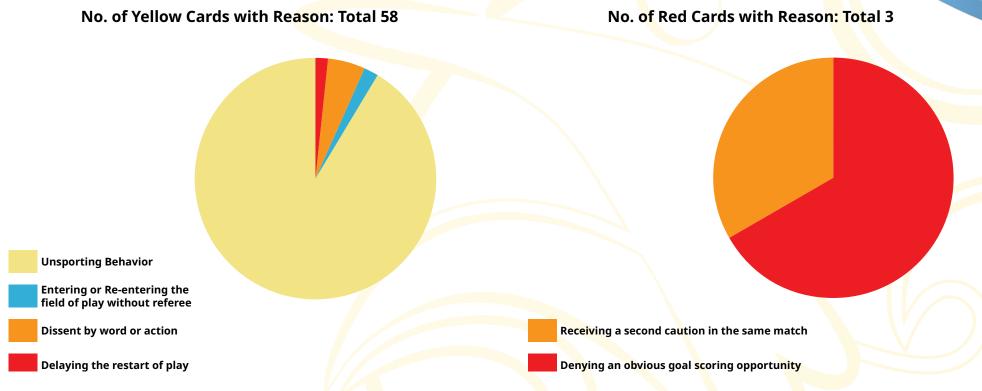
3.2 MATCH ASSESSMENT

- The involvement of video assessors and on-site referee assessors helped ensure consistent and high-quality officiating throughout the competition.
- Video Assessors: Stationed in the Video Assessors Room at the beach arena, the video assessors analysed
 matches in real time using video feeds and compiled key information for debriefing sessions, enabling
 a comprehensive review of match incidents and decisions.
- Referee Assessors: Positioned at match venues, these assessors observed officials' performance firsthand, offering immediate feedback and guidance to uphold officiating standards.
- The combination of video analysis and on-site observation established a strong system for evaluating and supporting match officials, contributing to improving refereeing standards throughout the tournament.

3.3 MATCH DEBRIEFING SESSIONS

Match debriefings played a vital role for officials by reviewing key incidents from previous games. These sessions involved a detailed analysis of events to better prepare officials for the upcoming matches. Instructors identified areas for improvement and offered targeted advice to promote consistent foul recognition and interpretation of the Laws of the Game. Through clear guidance on officiating standards, the debriefings aimed to enhance rule enforcement and ensure fair, effective officiating in subsequent fixtures.

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4. TECHNICAL SUMMARY

4.1 GENERAL PERFORMANCE

Referee assessors and instructors closely monitored and assessed the performance of match officials, offering feedback based on their observations and written reports. They had evaluated the officials positively, emphasising their competence and professionalism. Throughout the competition, refereeing standards had shown noticeable improvement, indicating that officials effectively applied the feedback to develop their skills. The collaborative efforts of assessors, instructors, and officials had contributed to an overall enhancement in officiating quality during the tournament.

4.2 GENERAL MANAGEMENT

 A total of 61 disciplinary sanctions were issued at the AFC Beach Soccer Asian Cup™ Thailand 2025, of which 58 were cautions (yellow cards); one (1) sending off took place after a second caution, and two (2) direct red cards were shown. The average was 1.82 yellow cards and 0.10 red cards per match.

FINAL MATCH

The final match between the Islamic Republic of Iran and Oman on March 30, 2025 was officiated by the following match officials:

Referee: Yuichi Hatano (JPN)

2nd Referee: Ibrahim Yousif Abdulla Ahmed Al Raeesi

(UAE)

3rd Referee: Abdulaziz M A Abdullah (KUW) 4th Referee: Akram Mahdi Saleh (IRQ) Timekeeper: Suparith Udma (THA)

Referee Assessor: Bakhtiyor Namazov (UZB)



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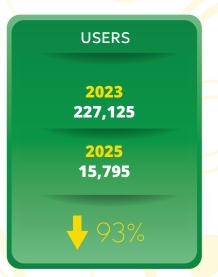
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