

Suhandinata Cup 2015

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China are the BWF World Junior Mixed Team Champions for a record tenth time, emphatically trouncing Indonesia 3-0 this afternoon in Lima, Peru.



(From: Left – Chinese Team (Winners) and Indonesian Team (Runners up)

Indonesia – a Team which had looked polished and capable of handling all that came their way in the previous four days – suddenly looked out of their depth and unable to cope with the barrage of heavy hitting and variety coming from across the net. "The players tried but China had more speed and we could not handle the speed or the pressure. The Team was in high spirits after beating Chinese Taipei (in the semi-finals) but we just couldn't deliver. We have some weaknesses that we need to work on," said Indonesia's manager/coach.

Chinese Taipei and India celebrated surprise results as the BWF World Junior Mixed Team Championships drew to a close today.

Throngs of flag-waving Chinese Taipei supporters cheered loudly as their Team beat Japan 3-0 in the play-off to claim third place; their best-ever finish in the Suhandinata Cup's 15-year history.



(From: Left - Chinese Taipei Team (3rd Place) and Japanese Team (5th Place)

Meanwhile, India inflicted more misery on No. 2 seeds, Korea, with a margin of victory to earn ninth position overall; their best result since 2011.



(Indian Team Celebrates At Peru, LIMA)

"The Players, the Coaches and staff were all excellent this past week. We have done very well. In 2011, we were sixth and we are improving and getting back to that level again," declared Indian Head Coach, Sudhir Singh, who was especially pleased with the performance of the doubles pairs.

"The doubles is a great sign for Indian Badminton. We are getting support from the Badminton Association of India and, with this performance, these players deserve more — and I hope we get the attention we deserve."

Meanwhile, Malaysia took fifth place, defeating Thailand 3-1 while Denmark rebounded from 2-0 down to snatch seventh position from Hong Kong, 3-2 in the tie.

Overview of Suhandinata Cup:

The BWF World Junior Championships, held annually, consists of two separate events: a "Team Event: for the Suhandinata Cup followed by an "Individual Event" for Eye Level Cups – all hosted within 12 days.

Reflecting a general trend in elite sports towards younger stars, the BWF World Junior Championships has evolved from a "Development Event" to an elite Tournament in its own right. The BWF World Junior Championships provides Badminton fans with a first glimpse of the stars of the future.

The BWF World Junior Championships was first hosted in Jakarta in 1992 and the event firmly established itself as an elite World Junior Tournament. The Championships cups were called as Bimantara Cups and the tenure of the Cups ended in year 2010.

Results - Suhandinata Cup

Contest	Host City	Comp eting Associ ations	Cham pions	Contest	Host City	Competing Associatio ns	Cham pions
000	Guangzhou	24	China	2009	Alor Setar	21	China
002	Pretoria	23	China	2010	Guadalajara	24	China
004	Vancouver	20	China	2011	Chinese Taipei	22	Malay sia
006	Incheon	32	Korea	2012	Chiba	30	China
2007	Auckland	25	China	2013	Bangkok	30	Korea
2008	Pune	21	China	2014	Alor Setar	32	China

Host Cities of Suhandinata Cup:

Year	No.	Host city	Country	Year	No.	Host city	Country
1992	I	Jakarta	Indonesia	2008	X	Pune	 India
1994	II	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	2009	XI	Alor Setar	Malaysia
1996	III	Silkeborg	■ Denmark	2010	XII	Guadalajara	■•■ Mexico
1998	IV	Melbourne	Australia	2011	XIII	Taipei	
2000	V	Guangzhou	China	2012	XIV	Chiba	• Japan
2002	VI	Pretoria	South Africa	2013	XV	Bangkok	Thailand
2004	VII	Richmond	I ◆ I Canada	2014	XVI	Alor Setar	Malaysia
2006	VIII	Incheon	South Korea	2015		Lima Bilbao	Peru Spain
2007	IX	Waitakere City	New Zealand	2017	XVIIV	Yogyakarta	Indonesia
