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Singapore awarded 2014 Incheon Asian Games Bronze medal for 4x200 metre freestyle relay

SINGAPORE, 24 March 2015 – The Singapore Men’s 4x200 metre freestyle relay team has been awarded the Bronze medal for the 2014 Incheon Asian Games after FINA handed out an 18-month doping suspension to South Korean swimmer Park Tae-Hwan. Park will be stripped of his medals from the Games including the 4x200m freestyle relay.

The Singapore team consisting of Danny Yeo Kai Quan, Pang Sheng Jun, Teo Zhen Ren and Clement Lim swam to a national record of 7:25.46 to finish fourth at the Games. However, as a result of the suspension to Park, the team will now be awarded the Bronze medal for the 4x200 metre freestyle relay.

“The boys did very well to set the national record for the relay. This Bronze medal that will be awarded to the team is a bonus to them. Although, it comes 6 months after the event, this medal will give them the added motivation for Sea Games and beyond; believing that they can succeed at higher international levels. This is what we are striving to achieve with new national head coach, Sergio and our restructured national training centre squad,” said Joscelin Yeo, Vice-President (Swimming) Singapore Swimming Association.

Statement from FINA:

On September 3, 2014 the swimmer Tae Hwan Park (KOR) was tested positive to the substance Testosterone (Class S.1.1.b Endogenous Anabolic Androgenic Steroids) with the occasion of an out-of-competition doping control test conducted by FINA.

The FINA Doping Panel decided according to the FINA DC Rule 10.5.2 to impose on the athlete a period of eighteen (18) months’ ineligibility, starting on September 3, 2014 and ending at the conclusion of the March 2, 2016 for his first anti-doping rule violation.

Furthermore, the FINA Doping Panel decided that all results achieved by the swimmer on or after September 3, 2014 shall be annulled together with the consequences thereof (forfeiture of medals/prizes, reimbursement of prize money).

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