

# 18<sup>th</sup> Asian Games 2018

The 2018 Asian Games is the 18th edition of the continental Games. It is the first time that the sporting extravaganza is being co-hosted by two cities. Jakarta and Palembang are the two Indonesian cities that are hosting the Games. This edition held from 18th August to 2nd September 2018 and saw around 10,000 athletes from 45 countries competing in 58 disciplines. Indonesia is hosting the Asian Games for the second time after the Jakarta Asian Games in 1962.

The Asian Games, also known as Asiad, is a continental multi-sport event held every four years among athletes from all over Asia. The Games were regulated by the Asian Games Federation (AGF) from the first Games in New Delhi, India, until the 1978 Games. Since the 1982 Games they have been organized by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), after the breakup of the Asian Games Federation. The Games are recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and are described as the second largest multi-sport event after the Olympic Games. In its history, nine nations have hosted the Asian Games. Forty-six nations have participated in the Games, including Israel, which was excluded from the Games after their last participation in 1974. The most recent games was held in Incheon, South Korea from 19 September to 4 October 2014, while the current games are held in Jakarta and Palembang, Indonesia from 18 August to 2 September 2018. The next games are scheduled to Hangzhou, China between 10 and 25 September 2022. All 45 members affiliated to the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) are eligible to take part in the Games.

China tops the medal tally with 132 Gold, 92 Silver, 65 Bronze (Total = 289). Japan at 2nd place with 75 Gold, 56 Silver, 74 Bronze (Total = 205) while Republic of Korea is at 3rd place with 49 Gold, 58 Silver, 70 Bronze (Total = 177).

Javelin Thrower Neeraj Chopra named India's Flag-Bearer for Opening Ceremony. Women's hockey team captain Rani Rampal named India's Flag-Bearer for Closing Ceremony.

Theme of 2018 Asian Games was- "ENERGY OF ASIA"

Here is a list of all the Indian athletes who won Gold medal at the 2018 Asian Games.

Amit- Boxing (Men's light Fly-49 Kg)  
Pranab Bardhan/Shibhnath Sarkar- Bridge (Men's Pair)  
Jinson Johnson- Athletics (Men's 1500m)  
India Women's Team- Athletics (Women's 4X400m Relay)  
Arpinder Singh- Athletics (Men's Triple jump)  
Swapna Barman- Athletics (Women's Heptathlon)  
Manjit Singh- Athletics (Men's 800m)  
Neeraj Chpra- Athletics (Men's Javelin throw)  
Tajinderpal Singh Toor- Athletics (Men's Shot put)  
Rohan Bopanna/Divij Sharan- Tennis (Men's Doubles)  
India Men's team- Rowing (Men's Quadruple sculls)  
Rahi Jeevan Sarnobat- Shooting (Women's 25m Pistol)  
Saurabh Chaudhary- Shooting (Men's 10m Air Pistol)  
Vinesh Phogat- Wrestling (Women's Freestyle 50 kg)  
Bajrang Punia- Wrestling (Men's Freestyle 65 kg)