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Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award 2020 Keeps Aspiring Paralympian's Dream Afloat



First-time award recipient Moi Yan Ting Danielle receiving the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award 2020.

Singapore, 11 November 2020 – The first half of 2020 was supposed to be Moi Yan Ting Danielle's last stretch to qualify for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, as she set her sights on clearing seconds to meet the Games' Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS). Without a warning, COVID-19 threw the global swimming competition calendar into disarray, and the 21-year-old, who fights against intellectual impairment, found herself in flux. She had to quickly adjust to new home-based training sets to keep herself fit for competition, and seek her family's extended support to continue her dream. In recognition of her drive to succeed against the odds, the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award selected Moi as one of its 36 recipients this year.

"I have been training very hard and my family has made a lot of sacrifices for me to chase this dream. I am very happy to receive the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award that would allow me to continue training, upgrade my equipment and offset the cost of competing overseas. I want to earn the right to represent Singapore at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games," said Moi, who has now resumed her routine of at least eight pool sessions a week.

Supporting Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) who additionally face financial challenges to continue their sporting dreams, the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award was launched in 2018 under a partnership between the Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) and Haw Par Corporation



Limited. Factors such as occupation, household income, support needs, current performance and reasons for application were taken into account by the selection committee.



Youngest award recipient Muhammad Nur Amsyar Bin Abdemanaf receives the award for the second time in a row and it will help him to continue cycling amidst a challenging year for his family.

This year's awards saw an increase in recipients from 31 to 36 across 11 para sports, bringing Haw Par Corporation's support for the bursaries to a total of \$131,500 over three years. The youngest recipient was, 20, while the oldest recipient was Aisah Binte Ibrahim, 74.

In line with COVID-19 safe distancing measures, this year's awards did not see a gathering of award recipients and their loved ones. Instead, awards and 'Back to Sport' care packages, comprising sports accessories and handwritten messages by Haw Par Corporation employees, were presented to the recipients individually.





Each award recipient received a 'Back to Sport' care package.

"In such challenging times, our para athletes and the community have demonstrated an indomitable spirit to continue training hard. The Haw Par Para Sports Bursary allows us to support and be a part of our para athletes' journeys. Our para athletes are sources of inspiration for all Singaporeans and we are proud of all they have achieved," said Mr Wee Ee Lim, President & CEO, Haw Par Corporation Limited.

SDSC hopes the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary will encourage more PWDs to pursue sports.

"We are very thankful to Haw Par Corporation for their great support in empowering our para athletes to continue pursuing sport and chasing their dreams. COVID-19 has dealt a great blow to all members of society, including our para athletes. SDSC's mission of transforming the lives of PWDs through sport would not be possible without partners like Haw Par Corporation. With additional resources for our programmes and to introduce sport to more PWDs, we are hopeful of seeing more PWDs lead active, healthy lives," said Dr Teo-Koh Sock Miang, SDSC President.

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About Singapore Disability Sports Council

The SDSC is the national sports body for Persons with Disabilities (PwD), founded in 1973. It aims to transform the lives of PwD through sport as a form of rehabilitative therapy, and means to realise their potential. Besides providing platforms for learning sport, SDSC trains talents to represent Singapore at regional and international competitions. Our success stories include Jason Chee, former para table tennis player and ASEAN Para Games gold medalist, and Yip Pin Xiu, Singapore's first Paralympic gold medalist. Find out more about us at www.sdsc.org.sq.

About Haw Par

Haw Par Corporation Limited, a Singapore-grown multinational Group, is listed on the Singapore Exchange since 1969. The Group is an enterprise with a strong consumer healthcare business that promotes healthy lifestyles through its healthcare products. The largest contributor to the healthcare business comes from a brand that it owns — Tiger Balm, one of the world's leading and most versatile topical analgesic brands. Besides the consumer healthcare business, the Group also engages in the leisure business and holds significant investments in securities and properties.

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Annex A: Other Potential Profiles for Interview

S/N	Recipient	Sport	About	
1	Muhammad Nur Amsyar Bin Abdemanaf	Cycling	Only 20, Amsyar has been pursuing the sport for a few years now and has the drive to excel, and to overcome obstacles and succeed.	
			Diagnosed with spina bifida, Amsyar has proven to be very adaptable, having had to switch from reclined position to kneeling position over a year ago and has already begun to surpass his prior results.	
			Cycling is a passion that Amsyar shares with his father, Abdemanaf. Abdemanaf serves as a volunteer for the Para Cycling Federation of Singapore and previously held the role of Team Manager for the team. The sport has allowed the father-son pair to bond over their love for cycling.	
			The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted Abdemanaf's income as a taxi driver and the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award is a timely boost for Amsyar.	
2	Logaraj s/o Raju	Shooting	Born with a brachial plexus injury, Logaraj has limited mobility in his left arm. Logaraj picked up the sport of shooting in 2007. Participating in the Men's 10M Air Pistol, he achieved a silver medal at the 2015 ASEAN Para Games held in Singapore.	
			The 41-year-old is also an accredited shooting coach. Income has been hit because of COVID-19. Nevertheless, the Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Award will go some way to help offset the costs of doing the sport he loves.	



Annex B: Full List of Haw Par Para Sports Bursary Awards 2020 Recipients

S/N	Recipient	Sport
1	Aisah Binte Ibrahim	Lawn Bowls
2	Chng Seh Geok	Lawn Bowls
3	Chong Keow	Table Tennis
4	Christina Lau	Table Tennis
5	Claire Toh Shumin	Table Tennis
6	Eng Shi Hui Elaine	Boccia
7	Foo Ming De Eric	Tenpin Bowling
8	Goh Jong Theng Kelvin	Tenpin Bowling
9	Ho Jing Rui, Gareth	Boccia
10	Juni Syafiqa Binte Jumat	Boccia
11	Logaraj s/o Raju	Shooting
12	Loh Kien Hoe	Tenpin Bowling
13	Maisarah Binte Mohamed Hassan	Athletics
14	Moi Yan Ting Danielle	Swimming
15	Muhammad Dinie Asyraf Bin Huzaini	Table Tennis
16	Muhammad Nur Amsyar Bin Abdemanaf	Cycling
17	Neo Kah Whye	Boccia
18	Noor Iskandaria Bin Mohd Dena	Cycling
19	Norliana bte Mohamed Ajam	Goalball
20	Ong Tee Hee	Tenpin Bowling
21	Peter Kam	CP Football
22	Priyadarshani d/o Jeyabalan	Athletics
23	Rozana Binte Abdullah	Athletics
24	Sebastian Adrian Tan Yan Zhi	Cycling
25	Shaman Pandian s/o Jeyabalan	Athletics
26	Siti Nurhamizah Binte Hamzah	Tenpin Bowling
27	Sulaiman Bin Ahmad Kamil	Tenpin Bowling
28	Tan Kok Leong	Table Tennis
29	Tan Wei Lian	Tenpin Bowling
30	Tan Yee Ting, Jeralyn	Boccia
31	Tan Yong Zhao Edwin	Chess
32	Tay Leong Hock	Tenpin Bowling
33	Thomas Nathan Chan Kim Yong	Tenpin Bowling
34	Ting Chee Keong Eric	Table Tennis
35	Yeo Kwok Chian Aaron	Table Tennis
36	Yong Phen Chong Thomas	Tenpin Bowling