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Kick-start for seven national players

EIGHT Asian countries, including hosts Malaysia, will compete in the Head Asia Cup team championships offering RM18,000 in prize money in Kuala Lumpur in early December.

Asian Squash Federation president Mokhzani Mahathir said yesterday that the venue and dates of the tournament will be announced later.

"The other seven countries to be invited will be based on the July ASF rankings," said Mokhzani.

He was speaking to reporters after receiving a mock cheque of RM70,000 for the tournament from Denis Low, director of Mulpha International Bhd, representing Mulpha-Head.

The Asia Cup trophy was also handed to Mokhzani yesterday.

Low also announced the additional sponsorship of seven national players under the 'Starting Them Young' programme with a budget of RM200,000.

The seven are Cheryl David, Low Wee Wern, Nabilla Ariffin, Sagita Paramalingam, Aaron Soyza, Azlan Iskandar and Elvinn Keo Jinn Chung.

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