



The 38th IMO

18–31 July 1997
Mar del Plata, Argentina

Singapore International Mathematical Olympiad Selection Tests

The Singapore International Mathematical Olympiad Committee has selected 12 students for training in preparation for the 1997 International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO). They are selected based on their performance in two tests held in 28 December 1996 and 18 January 1997. In each of the tests the students solved three difficult mathematics problems within 4.5 hours. The selected students are

Thevendran Senkodan, Raffles Junior College, J2

Daniel Tan Kwang Pang, Raffles Junior College, J2

Eric Fang Raffles Junior College, J2

Herman Chow, Raffles Junior College, J2

Jeffrey Pang Chin How, Hwa Chong Junior College, J2

Yeo Keng Hee, Hwa Chong Junior College, J1

Lim Yee Fun, Victoria Junior College, J1

Huah Cheng Jiann, Victoria Junior College, J1

Li Hong Yi, Hwa Chong Junior College, J1

Soh Chong Kian, Chinese High School, Sec 4

He Ruimin, Raffles Institution, Sec 4

Lin Shaowei, Raffles Institution, Sec 4.

Five of the twelve went to the IMO in 1996, they are Senkodan, Daniel, Jeffrey, Keng Hee and Yee Fun. The twelve students are currently undergoing training every Saturday at the Department of Mathematics, National University of Singapore. Further tests will be conducted and the final team comprising 6 members will be finalised in May. The team will then undergo intensive training during the June holidays before taking part in the IMO in July. The team will be led by Dr Roger Poh Kheng Siong of Mathematics Department, National University of Singapore as the Team Leader and Mr Shaw Swee Tat of National Junior College as the Deputy Leader.

The 1997 IMO will be hosted by Argentina from 18th to 31st July in the city called Mar del Plata about 400 km south of the capital Buenos Aires. Founded in 1874, Mar del Plata is famous for its magnificent beaches. Its population of 450,000 grows up to 2 million during the summer season. About 450 most gifted young mathematicians from more than 75 countries and regions are expected to take part in the IMO and they will be lodged at a beautiful seaside resort. This IMO will be the 38th IMO. The first IMO was held in 1959 in Romania. ^M

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