

## TEAM PHILIPPINES DECLARED OVERALL CHAMPION DURING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ASEAN VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



Team Philippines with H.E. Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa (standing, 6<sup>th</sup> from left), Dr. Dhafer Ahmed Al Umran (standing, 5<sup>th</sup> from left) and Sheika Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa (standing, 7<sup>th</sup> from left), and the ASEAN HOMs

06 November 2016 – The Filipino Community Volleyball Team in the Kingdom of Bahrain were declared the Champions of the 1<sup>st</sup> ASEAN Volleyball Tournament held at the Muharraq Gym, Muharraq, Kingdom of Bahrain last 25 November 2016.

A total of one hundred eight (108) players from the ASEAN Communities of Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines in Bahrain participated in the tournament.

The Philippine Team won both men and women's championships, while the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places went to the teams of Thailand and Indonesia, respectively.

This event, organized by the Malaysian Embassy in Bahrain, aimed to foster unity and camaraderie among the ASEAN communities in Bahrain. It is part of the series "ASEAN Games 2016" played between and among the five ASEAN member states that have missions in the Kingdom.

H.E. Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Undersecretary for International Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bahrain graced the event as the tournament's guest of honor. Dr. Dhafer Ahmed Al Umran from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Sheika Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa, Assistant Undersecretary for Arab and Afro-Asian Affairs and Organizations, also attended the awarding ceremony. END



Team Philippines receiving their awards from H.E. Shaikh Abdullah and Vice Consul Joaquin Ricardo R. Aragon.