

Hosting of the 11th Southeast Asian Games

6-15 December 1981



The 11th Southeast Asian Games were held in the Philippines from 6 to 15 December 1981. Marcos Sr. hoped that the ability of sports to unify groups of people would also translate into the fields of economics, politics, and culture. The 1981 sporting event was used by the dictator to further reinforce authoritarian rule and to rehabilitate his image on the international stage.

Idinaos sa Pilipinas ang ika-11 Southeast Asian Games (SEA Games) mula ika-6 hanggang ika-15 ng Disyembre 1981. Umasa si Marcos Sr. na sa pamamagitan ng pakikilahok at pangunguna ng Pilipinas sa pagdaraos ng SEA Games mapagbubuklod ang sambayan tungo sa pag-unlad sa larangan ng ekonomiya, politika, at kultura. Ngunit higit dito, mas mauunawaan ang pagdaraos ng paligsahang ito noong 1981 bilang bahagi ng pagtatangka ng diktador na lalong pagtibayin ang kanyang awtoritaryang pamumuno sa bansa at pagpapabango ng kanyang imahe sa pangdaigdigang komunidad.

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