

She said: "Farhan's performances from the quarter-final onwards proved to us that he is a very good exponent. He can read his opponent, is very focused, and prepares himself very well. So the first thing we do when we get back is to appeal to the SNOC to insert his category.

"I know for sure that Indonesia, Vietnam, and Malaysia are keen for more weight classes to be included. The SEA Games is one of the major meets in silat, and they want to send as many athletes as they can for exposure."

Said Farhan: "Hopefully this win can help my chances of competing in the SEA Games. It's in Singapore, and I don't want to miss the opportunity to perform in front of the home fans."

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