Universiti Malaysia Sabah athletes shine

AMONG THE BEST ... UMS medal winners at Phase II of the Malaysian Universities Sports Council Sports (MASUM) Games 2018 in the national capital on Sunday.

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KOTA KINABALU: Despite sending four athletes, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) managed to finish sixth best in the overall medal tally at the Malaysian Universities Sports Council Sports (MASUM) Games 2018 that ended at National Defence University of Malaysia on Sunday.

They won two gold and two bronze medals at the Phase II of the Games to eventually finish behind winners UTM, who clinched top spot with 15G, 11S and 8B followed by UPM (15G, 6S, 2B), LPN (15G, 4S, 5B), UPNM (2G, 4S, 1B) and USM (2G, 1S, 1B).

For the record, they were 20 participating universities at the Games.

First year Sports Science student Azril Fakhriee Bin Khairil made a golden outing for UPM after clinching the cernib bowling men’s individual category gold.

Then, he partnered Suhainor A/L Sihan to win the men’s doubles for UPM second gold before Suhainor clinched a bronze medal in the men’s master category.

In the karate event, UMS won a bronze medal through Mathavan A/L Vigneswaran’s feat in the men’s kumite 75kg category.