KOTA KINABALU: UMS women’s volleyball team clinched the gold medal for a record eighth consecutive time at the 38th IPTA Staff Games held in Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in the national capital.

They defeated UNIMAP 3-0 in the final. En route to the final, they also registered a straight sets win over University Malaya.

With the feat, UMS hauled three gold medals and one silver in the Games.

Earlier on, they won two gold medals contributed by their track and field athletes, while its men’s darts team lost 2-3 to Perak in the final.

This time around, UMS paraded a total of 57 athletes and competed in four sporting events. Besides volleyball, darts and track and field, they also took part in the bowling event.

“We are happy to have won three gold medals considering the fact that we only took part in four sporting events,” said UMS Sports Unit Director Mohd Asyraaf Fong Abdullah.

“Congratulations to the winners, and we hope they will keep training, not only for the sake of winning, but more importantly practising a healthy lifestyle through sports is good,” he said. - FRANCIS XAVIER - francis@newsabahtimes.com