UniMAP MAINTAINS ITS GRASP IN SUKUM 2016 BOWLING AND ATHLETICS

Nilai. 12 August – Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP) continued to shine in the Malaysian University Staff Sports Championship (SUKUM) 2016 upon becoming overall champions of the athletics and tenpin bowling events.

At the championship which assembles employees of various Public Universities (UA) nationwide and is hosted by Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM), UniMAP seized six gold medals out of the 10 up for grabs in the tenpin bowling tournament.

Even prouder, UniMAP tenpin bowler Mohd. Zulfauzi Mohd. Sawal cleaned out all five gold medals in the men's category, namely in the men's singles, men's doubles with Nurakmal Ramli, men's team, men's all event and men's masters events.

Another gold was scored by Prof Dr. Rosni Bakar dan Mahzura Mahmood in the women's doubles event.

UniMAP Deputy Vice Chancellor Student Affairs and Alumni (HEPA) Prof Madya Dr Mohd Foad Sakdan who is also the UniMAP Contingent Head said that besides these six gold medals, bowling also garnered a further three silvers and one bronze.

"The silver medals were won in the men's all event (Nurakmal), women's all event (Mahzura) and the women's team tenpin event, while the bronze was won by Nurakmal in the tenpin bowling men's singles category," he said.

According to Mohd Foad, besides bowling UniMAP also predominated in the track and field events which took place at the Tunku Najihah Sports Complex, USIM by acquiring 14 gold, eight silver and five bronze medals.

However, he explained, according to the athletics technical committee, individual medals by event is classified into only four categories namely men's seniors, men's veterans, women's seniors and women's veterans which only allows for four medals to be awarded in the athletics competition.

Nevertheless, he said, UniMAP's roster of athletes succeeded in winning two gold medals through the men's and women's seniors categories, and even prouder,

UniMAP topped the men's seniors raking in eight gold, one silver and three bronze medals in 10 contested tournaments.

"In the women's seniors category, UniMAP acquired five gold, six silver and one gold

while one other gold medal was yielded in the men's veterans category. A single gold

and bronze medal each were won in the women's veterans category.

"We have been expecting this success considering that UniMAP as a 14-year-old UA

has employees who are below 40 to be support in the men's seniors category.

"Henceforth, UniMAP will strive to strengthen its athletes in the men's and women's

veterans to become fierce competitors in future SUKUM events," he stated.

UniMAP's gold medals in the men's senior categories were won in the 100 and 200

metres by Mohd. Helmi Ahmad, 400 metres (Idris Zakaria), javelin (Mohd Akmal

Mad Zain), shot put (Adi Alifuddin Hussin), discus (Firdaus Jamen), the 4x100

event (Mohd. Helmi, Idris, Mohd. Robani Hassan and Nazmizan Muhammad) and

the 4x400 metres event which were lined by Mohd. Baihaqi Razlan, Nazmizan,

Mohd. Robani and Idris.

In the women's senior category, UniMAP won medals via sprint queen Norhaslinda

Md Hussein in the 100 and 200 metres event, Nur Atikah Awang (400 metres),

Farah Ainumi Hanum Anuar (1,500 metres) and the 4x400 metres (Nurhaslinda,

Afifah Saad, Farah Aninumi Hanum dan Nur Atikah).

21 teams took part in SUKUM 2016 with the involvement of 3,600 athletes and

officials. Beside tenpin bowling and athletics, 14 other sports events were

contested, such as football, netball, volleyball, chess, futsal, cycling, carom, darts,

ping pong, badminton, tug of war, sepak takraw and tennis.

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