

# Sad day for Peng Kean



**Yu Peng Kean** (right) reacts after losing to **Vietnam's Vu Thanh An** in the sabre semi-final at the OCBC Arena yesterday. Bernama pic

**FENCER** Yu Peng Kean's hopes for a medal of different colour this time did not materialise.

The 24-year-old, who won bronze at the 2011 Games in Palembang, had to settle for the same medal again after going down 15-4 to Vietnam's Vu Thanh An in the men's sabre semi-final at the OCBC Arena yesterday.

The Universiti Putra Malaysia student said: "I am very disappointed with myself, because I came here (Singapore) with a target to win a different colour medal.



"There was pressure as well, because I was the only Malaysian left in the semi-finals.

"I just don't know what went wrong today but I was not focused. I wanted to win so much but I completely lost it," said Peng Kean, who now hopes to make amends in the men's team event on Saturday.

"The men's sabre team won gold in Palembang,

but it will be hard for us to defend it this time because it is not the same team."

The team events for both men and women start on Saturday.

Meanwhile, men's epee fencer Joshua Koh I Jie and women's foil fencer Natasha Ezzra Abu Bakar crashed out in the quarter-finals.

Joshua, who won gold in Palembang, lost 11-15 to Thailand's Panthawit Chamchareon while Natasha went down 14-15 to Singapore's Wang Wenying.