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It's business as usual



Dominating form: Malaysia's women's artistic gymnasts posing for a photograph after bagging the team gold at the Malaysian International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MiTEC) in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Women's artistic gymnasts retain team gold in style

THE women's artistic gymnasts ended Malaysia's gold quest for the day with a bang - retaining the team gold at the Malaysian International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MiTEC).

Farah Ann Abdul Hadi, Lavinia Michelle Jayadev, Nur Azira Aziri, Nur Eli Ellina Azmi, Tan Ing Yueh and Tracie Ang shed tears of joy after amassing 200.950 points to become champions.

Malaysia finished 10 points ahead of Singapore's Colette Chan Wan Xuan, Kelsie Yasmin Muir, Nadine Joy Nathan, Tan Sze En, Togawa Mei and Zeng Qiyan (190.050 points).

Indonesia's Amalia Fauziah Nurun Nubuwah. Armartiani, Rifda Irfanaluthfi and Tazsa Miranda

Devira took the bronze with a 186.850 total. This is the third time that

Malaysia have won the team gold since the Kuala Lumpur Games in 2001.

Captain Farah was emotional after the win.

"I just couldn't control my tears. It's always nice to win gold in your own country," said Farah.

"This is a dream come true for us as we retained the gold with the support of the fans, coaches and officials.'

Farah is now looking forward to better things in the individual competition.

Azira too was delighted to make a memorable Games debut. "I couldn't have asked for a

better start to my gymnastics career than winning the team gold," said Azira.

Only Ing Yueh, Tracie and

Farah will be involved in the individual apparatus finals today.

Ing Yueh, who has qualified for the finals of the vault, balance beam and floor exercise, hopes to do much better than what she achieved at Singapore 2015.

"I won two golds in Singapore - team and uneven bar. This time I already have one gold in hand," said Ing Yueh.

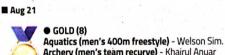
Tracie will also be involved in three individual finals - vault, uneven bars and balance beam – while Farah will only feature in two - uneven bars and floor exercise.



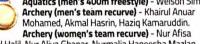
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29TH SEA GAMES MEDAL TALLY				
Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
MALAYSIA	24	19	15	58
SINGAPORE	13	13	11	37
VIETNAM	8	5	9	22
INDONESIA	7.	10	15	32
THAILAND	6	8	10	24
PHILIPPINES	3	6	6	15
MYANMAR	3	2	1	6
LAOS	0	1	1	2
BRUNE	0	0	4	4
CAMBODIA	0	0	3	3
TIMOR LESTE	0	0	0	0

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MALAYSIAN MEDALLISTS



Abdul Halil, Nur Aliya Ghapar, Nurmalia Haneesha Mazlan. Bowling (men's doubles) - Alex Liew-Syafiq Ridhwan Abdul Malek.

Cycling (men'criterium) - Harrif Saleh

Gymnastics (women's artistic) - Farah Ann Hadi, Tracie Ang, Tan Ing Yueh, Nur Eli Ellina Azmi, Lavinia Javadev, Nur Azira Aziri

Shooting (men's individual double trap) - Benjamin Khor. Wushu (men's optional giangshu) - Yeap Wai Kin.



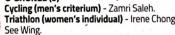
Bowling (men's doubles) - Adrian Ang-Rafiq Cycling (women's criterium) - Jupha Somnet.

Sepaktakraw (women's inter-regu) - Nor Farhana Ismail, Nurrashidah Abdul Rashid, Nurul Izzatul Hikmah, Siti Nor Suhaida Jafri, Siti Norzubaidah Che Ab

Wahab Shooting (men's individual double trap) - Abraham Eng Wei lin

Wushu (men's optional giangshu) - Wong Weng Son. Wushu (women's optional qiangshu) - Phoon Eyin.





Wushu (men's optional daoshu and gunshu) -Khaw lun Lim.

Wushu (women's optin taijijuan) - Audrey Chan Yee Jo. Wushu (men's optional nandao and nangun) - Ho Mun Hua.