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UMPSA records best SUKUM achievement in 22 years

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PEKAN, 28 August 2026 – Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA) recorded an impressive achievement at the 46th Malaysian Inter-University Staff Sports Championship (SUKUM), held at Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin (UniSZA), finishing seventh among 20 participating universities.

The UMPSA contingent brought home 18 medals, comprising nine gold, three silver, and six bronze medals, marking the university’s best performance in its 22 years of participation in SUKUM.

The tenpin bowling team contributed the highest number of medals, securing five gold, one silver, and three bronze medals, while the athletics team also excelled with three gold, one silver, and one bronze medal.

The success was further highlighted by a gold medal won by the veteran sepak takraw team, while the table tennis team contributed one silver and one bronze medal, and the pétanque team secured another bronze medal.

Adding to the achievement, the sepak takraw and tenpin bowling teams were crowned overall champions in their respective sports.

UMPSA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ts. Dr. Yatimah Alias, said the achievement demonstrated the fighting spirit, dedication, and commitment of the UMPSA community in bringing honour to the university.

Meanwhile, she announced the approval of an allocation of RM100,000 for the implementation of the SUKUM 2028 Medal Retention and New Medal Development Programme, ahead of the championship scheduled to take place at Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Penang.

She said the allocation would be strategically utilised to strengthen team preparations, improve training quality, develop promising athletes, and produce more new medal winners for UMPSA.

“I would like to express my appreciation to the Head of Contingent, Deputy Head of Contingent, UMPSA Sports Centre, team managers, coaches, UMPSA SUKUM Secretariat, Yayasan UMPSA, and all departments involved for their support and commitment.

“Continue to uphold a strong sporting spirit and demonstrate that when we stand united as one team, we can achieve even greater success,” she said.

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