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KOTA KINABALU: The General Operation Force (PGA) booked the last of the semi-final place in the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Inter-Government Department Invitational Football Tournament.

Team PGA edged the Road Transport Department (JPJ) squad 1-0 in their Group A match held over the weekend.

Hosts UMS, who had earlier advanced as the top team from Group A, took nothing for granted as they registered a 2-1 win over Institut Latihan Perindustrian (ILP) to take the lead in the group.

Played at the UMS Stadium, UMS took the lead through Adisham Dullah who connected a cross from Andrew Majangim in the 10th minute.

However, Adisham was sent off shortly after for arguing with the referee and forced UMS to play around 70 minutes with a player less.

That did not stop UMS from scoring as Ardi Sida made it 2-0 in the 49th minute from the penalty spot, given after Thomas Stephanus was brought down inside the box.

ILP also received a penalty kick in the 57th minute but Gilbert Junior's spot kick

| GROUP A | | | | | | | |
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| STANDINGS | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
| STAF UMS | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 6 | 18 |
| PGA | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 22 | 3 | 15 |
| ILP | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 13 | 11 | 10 |
| JPJ | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 11 | 6 |
| BPR | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 4 |
| AUDIT | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 20 | 3 |
| IKBN | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 23 | 3 |

| GROUP B | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| STANDINGS | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
| DBKK | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 6 | 13 |
| PDRM | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 10 |
| PENJARA | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 8 | 9 |
| UiTM | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 10 | 8 |
| BOMBA | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 18 | 3 |
| LKIM | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 24 | 0 |

was saved by UMS goalkeeper Cliff Richard.

ILP only managed to reduce the deficit late in the game when Newbaxter Tibin sneaked in to pounce on a loose ball in a goalmouth melee.

UMS will next face Group B runners-up the Royal Malaysian Police Force (PDRM) while PGA take on Group B winners the City Hall (DBKK).

The semi-finals will be played at the UMS Stadium on May 16. - VB