Sabah Community College in SUKIPT sixth place

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KOTA KINABALU: Sabah Community College (KKS) bagged six gold medals and one bronze to scale past state rivals, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) at the ongoing Malaysian Institutions of Higher Learning Games (SUKIPT).

The seven medals from pencak silat events place KKS in sixth place overall, while UMS slipped to 21st spot among competing

contingents.

As of yesterday, UMS only managed to add one silver and one bronze for an overall medals tally of two gold, two silver and two bronze.

Shirley Ling Shio Ling was forced to settle for silver after losing to national player, Jawairiah Noordin (Unimap) in the women's singles tennis final at UPM, Sunday.

Ling hoped to create another surprise victory after beating Adeley Boey (also a national player) in the semi-finals. But her hopes quickly evaporated after going down 6-0, 6-0 in the final.

The additional bronze came

from pencak silat, while the earlier medals (two gold, one silver and one bronze) came from the taekwondo (Poomsae) squad.

UMS' football challenge came to an end after losing 3-0 in the quarter-finals, while the men's volleyball team also suffered a similar fate.

They lost 18-25, 25-20, 15-12 to UiTM also in the round of last

eight.

Leading the pack in the overall medal standings is Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) with 36 gold, 17 silver and 31 bronze, followed by Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM 27g-17s-18b) and Universiti Malaya (UM 10g-9s-7b).

A record total 5,000 student athletes from 101 contingents are competing in this inaugural games, which kicked off on

October 28.

The games is being held at various venues across the peninsula, and is ongoing until November 11.

A total of 165 gold medals, 165 silver and 208 bronze are being contested.