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Sukma-Badminton

KUALA LUMPUR MEN'S TEAM STORM INTO SEMIS

SHAH ALAM, April 20 (Bernama) -- Defending badminton champions Kuala Lumpur stormed into the Seventh Malaysia Games men's team event semi-finals when they beat Negeri Sembilan 3-0 at the Selangor Badminton Association (SBA) hall at Jalan Kampung Attap today.

With the victory, Kuala Lumpur, who topped group A, will meet group D winners Perak who were the silver medallists in the last Sukma Games held in Kuantan in 1996.

Kuala Lumpur's national back-up squad player Ramesh Nathan easily beat Negri's Liew Chee Cheong 15-3, 15-6.

Earlier in the first singles, KL's Yap Yee Jyen lost the first set before outclassing Lee Yong Fah 4-15, 15-4, 15-8.

KL doubles pair Mahathir Mustafa and Subramaniam had to sweat it out before outplaying Chong Chun Cheong and Chan Jia Hnoh also in three sets 15-2, 9-15, 18-13.

In a group B match, Selangor, who featured national player Chan Chong Ming in their team, confirmed their semi-finals berth after topping group B with a 2-1 victory over Perlis.

Chong Ming partnered Yap Yee Ming to score an easy 15-10, 15-2 win over Sairul Amar and A'amar Hashim. Earlier, in a singles match Selangor's Siew Yian Siai beat Sairul Amar of Perlis 15-7, 15-9, while Perlis got their win when Makhazim Mohamad who beat Tan Soo Sen 15-12, 15-2.

Selangor will face group C winners Pulau Pinang in the semi-finals. Pulau Pinang scored an effortless 3-0 win over Kelantan.

RESULTS:

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Men's team:

Group A

Kuala Lumpur bt Negeri Sembilan 3-0

Yap Yeng Jyen bt Lee Yong Fah 4-15,15-4,15-8; Ramesh Nathan bt Liew Chee Choong 15-3,15-6; Mahathir Mustafa/Subramaniam bt Chong Chun Cheong/Chan Jia Hnoh 15-2,9-15,18-13.

Group B

Selangor bt Perlis 2-1

Siew Yan Wai bt Sairul Amar 15-7,15-9; Tan Soo Sen lost to Makhazim Mohamad 12-15,2-15; Chan Chong Ming/Yap Wee Ming bt Sairul Amar/A'amar Hashim 15-10,15-2.

Group C

Sabah bt Malacca 2-1

Azahawari Osman bt Chong Hua Jin 15-10,15-12; Wong Kok Ming bt Chua Siau Leong 18-17,15-11; Sharil/Fadley lost to Jeremy Gan/Ng Yan Fu 6-15,5-15.

P.Pinang bt Kelantan 3-0

Lim Theam Teon bt Nik Ahmad Faiz 15-12,15-11; Khor Eng Chiun bt Mohd Faiz 15-10,17-15; Lim Theam Teon/Khoo Kok Kheng bt Mohd Hashim/Ahmad Mab'us 15-3,15-6.

Group D

Perak bt Johor

Yeoh Kay Bin lost to Alvin Chew 12-15,3-15; Lee Tsuen Seng bt Ng Choon Kang 15-6,7-15,15-11; Song Weng Yee/Yeoh Kay Bin bt Teo Kok Seng/Wong Keng Loon 15-5,15-8.

Women's team:

Group A

Kuala Lumpur bt Malacca 3-0

Ng Mee Fen bt Vicki Rodrigues 11-3,11-3; Woo Pui Kuan bt Wang Soon Lian 11-2,3-11,11-1; Ng Mee Fen/V.Kavitha bt Vicki Rodrigues/Wang Soon Lian 9-15,15-12,15-10.

Selangor bt Johor 3-0

Lee Winnie bt Teo Heng Yen 11-1,11-0; Wong Pet Tty bt Teo Hing Siew 11-1,11-1; Lee Winnie/Chong Nga Fan bt Ng Soo Mui/Hardiana Jalil 15-8,15-5.

Group B

Pahang bt Perak 2-1

Chew Pei Jin lost to Lim Poh Ching 11-12,7-11; Leau Hui Ming bt Karen Lim 11-1,10-12,11-1; Leau Hui Ming/Ho Shuh Mei bt Tham Wai See/Lam Yin Ling 15-13,15-10.

Penang bt Sarawak 3-0

Chin Eei Mui bt Susana Chai 11-6,11-4; Cindy Lim bt Justina Annette 7-11,11-9,11-7; Wong Siew Hong/Chin Eei Mui bt Ang Lee Ching/Susana Chai 15-1,15-5.

Penang bt Kedah 3-0

Chin Eei Mui bt Goi Bok Jia 11-1,11-3; Wong Siew Hong bt Fong Chew Yen 11-6,11-7; Chin Eei Hui/Wong Siew Hong bt Fong Chew Yen/Lau Hooi Woon 15-4,15-1.

Sarawak bt Pahang 2-1

Andrea Chong lost to Chew Pei Jin 9-11,8-11; Justina Annette bt Leau Hui Ming 7-11,12-10,11-7; Ng Lee Ching/Andrea Chong bt Leau Hui Ming/Ho Shuh Mei 3-15,17-14,15-12.

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