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Mun Yee puts herself tops in platform

LEONG Mun Yee proved the best Games female diver by leading the women's 10m platform event yesterday by a huge margin.

She had won the 3m springboard event on Friday by 14 points but yesterday, she was so far ahead of the rest to beat second-placed teammate Rosatimah Muhammad who scored 437.94 by almost 60 points.

Earlier, Rosatimah and maybe Thai's Sukrutai Tommaoros might be able to catch up as Mun Yee finished the morning session less than four points ahead.

She scored 173.37 and the two did 169.83 and 161.70 respectively.

However, the 17-year-old showed her true flair in the evening session to score another 320 points for a total of 493.29.

Rosatimah on the other hand was slightly shaky. Indonesian Shenny Ratna Amelia turned out to be next best diver by scoring another 282 but fortunately for the Malaysian, her challenger's morning score of 155.97 proved the stumbling block.

Shenny scored a total of 437.10, only 0.74 points behind Rosatimah to settle for bronze.

Favourite male diver Yeoh Ken Nee overcame Friday's disappointment when brought Malaysia their overall 81st gold of the Games in the men's 10m platform event held earlier.

Ken Nee unexpectedly lost Friday's 10m platform gold to another Malaysian Mohamed Azheem Bahari who never beat him until then but yesterday he was clearly ahead of the rest to beat second-placed Thai Suchart Pichi by 30 points.

The 17-year-old also had the honour of receiving the medal from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who came to the National Aquatics centre expecting Malaysia to exceed their targetted 80-gold target.

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