

Zahid Congratulates Rio Olympics Victorious Malaysian Divers

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BALI, Aug 10 (Bernama) -- Malaysian Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi congratulated Malaysian divers Pandelega Rinong and Cheong Jun Hoong who won Malaysia's first medal, a silver, at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games early Wednesday.

He said the victory would drive other Malaysian athletes to excel in their respective events as well as offer stiff competition at the SEA Games next year in Kuala Lumpur.

He also said it was hoped that the victory would encourage the Youth and Sports Ministry to focus on enhancing the performance of Malaysian athletes at the international level in sports suitable to the physique of Malaysians.

"This victory will offer a new challenge to the Youth and Sports Ministry to ensure that our national athletes perform well in the SEA Games that we will host next year," he told reporters here.

Pandelega and Jun Hoong took the second spot in the 10m synchronised platform event at the Rio Olympics after China. Canada was third.

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