

# Norliyana comes out tops in heptathlon

**NATIONAL** heptathlete Norliyana Kamaruddin was untouchable as she set a new games record en route to gold at the Malaysian Institutions of Higher Learning Games (SUKIPT) yesterday.

The 27-year-old accumulated a total of 4,595 points from the seven disciplines in the event at the Universiti Putra Malaysia Stadium to surpass the former games mark of 3,730 set in 2014.

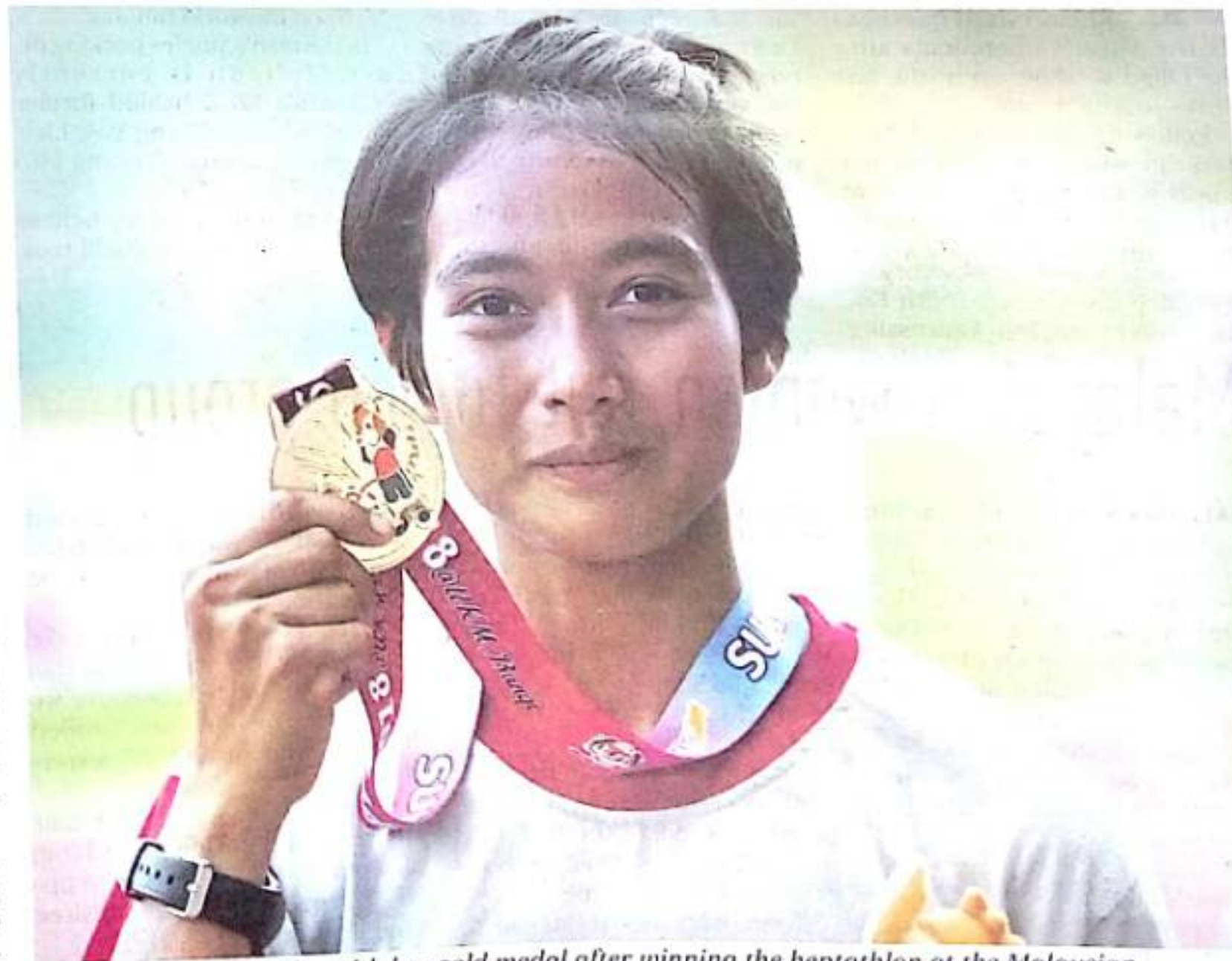
Despite carrying a knee injury, the Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) student said it was her target to set a games record.

Silver went to Warirat Praduphet (TU) on 3,473 while Khairunadiah Mohamed Khir (UPM), who managed 3,385, completed the podium.



"It was my goal to break the games record here which is my own record actually. This could be my last SUKIPT so I really wanted to do it," said Norliyana, who broke the national record after scoring 5,247 during the Kuala Lumpur Sea Games.

She has been selected to represent the country at the Asian Games in August and needs to be healthy and well prepared to ensure a consistent performance.  
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Norliyana Kamaruddin with her gold medal after winning the heptathlon at the Malaysian Institutions of Higher Learning Games yesterday. PIC BY ZULFADHLI ZULKIFLI