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Girls grab three golds from track and field event in Singapore

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Siti Fatima (right) was part of the quartet that won the 4x100m bronze at the Singapore SEA Games with Komalam (left), Noor Amira Mohd Nafiah and Zaidatul Husniah (second right).





KUALA LUMPUR: Four Malaysian women athletes went to Singapore for the one-day Club Zoom Kindred Spirit Series Inaugural Track and Field Championships.

Three returned with gold medals and the other with a silver.

The girls got the show started by claiming a 1-2 finish in the 100m event.

S. Komalam Shally, who won the Singapore Open 100m gold medal in April, crossed the finish line in 11.99 seconds, ahead of team-mate Siti Fatima Mohamed (12.12) at the Bishan Stadium on Saturday. Shalina Fernando of Singapore was third in 12.85.

"I am already 30, but I will continue competing in meets as I want to help Malaysia win a medal in the 4x100m in the Kuala Lumpur SEA Games next year," said former national champion Siti.

The second gold came courtesy of Nurul Faizah Asma Mazlan, who proved too strong for other seven athletes in the women's 400m.

She clocked 56.62 to finish almost eight seconds ahead of silver medallist Nur Hamizah Hamid (1:04.55) of Singapore.

Nurul, who has a personal best of 55.39, admitted that she was hardly troubled in the race.



Yap Sean Yee then handed Malaysia the third gold in the three-woman high jump event with a clearance of 1.70m.

It was way off her national record of 1.79m set in the Pahang Open last year.

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