



Thursday, February 18

Miguel Tabuena (Phi) – First round 66 (-5)

I'm really happy with my round today. I wasn't 100% and I'll take anything under par. I think I ate something wrong on Tuesday and when I got back to the hotel, I felt really sick. I went to the clinic in the hotel and they said it was food poisoning. I was in bed the whole of Wednesday and the good was that I had a late tee time today for some extra rest. I was really really sick both ways on Wednesday and Tuesday.

I thought of withdrawing as you don't want to miss a prestigious event like this. It's one of the biggest events we have and I'm glad I shot five under today. I was really weak this morning. I just told myself to keep it on the fairway and attack when I could and not force anything. Sometimes you really play well like that. I'm glad I didn't force anything. I hit more fairways than usual which helps on this golf course.

I was like 65%. I clubbed up one in almost every shot. I felt weak. It was a bit overcast and we got a bit of rain which helped. I did feel faint out there. Had to go to the bathroom four times and my playing partners (David Howell and Natipong Srithong) were really helpful and told me to take my time as they hit ahead.

I'll be glad to shoot anything under par tomorrow. Hopefully I can still be in position on Saturday and Sunday. I would like to get into position to win the tournament.