

BARISAN AND PAS NAME THEIR CANDIDATES

THE BARISAN MAN

ENCIK Osman Abdul, 32, was born in Kampung Paya Kerut, Pendang.

He received his early education at the Sekolah Kebangsaan Paya Kerut.

He later continued his studies at the Sekolah Menengah Sultan Abdul Halim, Jitra, before entering Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia where he obtained a degree in social science in 1978.

After graduation, Encik Osman served with the National Family Planning Board, and then the Kedah Development Corporation before joining the Kedah Civil Service as Assistant District Officer of Pendang in 1980 until his resignation today. — Bernama

ALOR STAR, Mon. — The Barisan Nasional and PAS have named their candidates for the Ulu Muda by-election.

The Barisan man, announced by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Musa Hitam, is Encik Osman Abdul, a qualified and experienced local,

Encik Osman's PAS rival is Ustaz Nakhaie Haji Ahmad, a former university lecturer.

Datuk Musa said: "We are confident that Encik

Osman, being a local man, will be accepted by the people of Ulu Muda."

He said Encik Osman would make a good representative for the Ulu Muda people.

Datuk Musa said the Barisan was announcing the name of its candidate a day before nomination "as we are not afraid of our opponents".

"We are ready to face anyone at the polls," he added.

He said PAS had run out of issues and with its present crisis, it was in no shape to face the Barisan in the by-election.

Encik Osman, when contacted by reporters, said he was grateful and thanked the Barisan leaders for having confidence in him.

He was confident that he would win the by-election not because of the PAS crisis, but because of the people's support for the Barisan.

Announcing the PAS

candidate. State PAS commissioner Ustaz Fadzil Nor said: "We are confident that the voters will give an intellectual and experienced politician like Ustaz Nakhaie a chance to represent them in Parliament."

He said Ustaz Nakhaie was unanimously selected from a list of 11 potential candidates submitted by the State to the party headquarters.

Ustaz Fadzil said the party's internal problems would not jeopardise PAS

performance at the by-election.

"We have held numerous meetings with our members and supporters in Ulu Muda, and they have vowed to back the party to secure a victory," he said.

Ustaz fadzil said: "We are confident of winning back Ulu Muda after a lapse of 1.1 years:"

Nomination will be held at the Sik District office tomorrow, while polling has been fixed for March