

Sukri the new chairman of Amanah Raya

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PUTRAJAYA, Wed. Former MP Datuk Sukri Mohamed is now Amanah Raya Bhd (ARB) chairman effective Sept 1, succeeding Datuk Mohamed Jamrah, whose term expired on Aug 31.

Announcing the appointment today, Minister in Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Utama Dr Rais Yatim said Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad

jointly approved the appointment as Prime Minister and Finance Minister.

Rais hoped Sukri will maintain ARB's successful operations which enabled it to declare an average of 8.5% returns.

Sukri, 44, is a lawyer by the training and began his political career in the 80s, eventually serving as MP for two terms in Kok Lanas and Machang respectively

He had also served as magistrate in Negri Sembilan and Kelantan for a total of seven years before quitting to start his own legal firm in 1985.

ARB, corporatised in May 1995, began operating as a company the following year, expanding into 16 branches nationwide.

Sukri said plans are underway to create another 16 branches in the rural areas.