

Minister banking on experience at finance

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KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Dr Jamaluddin Jarjis believes that the knowledge in economics and financial management he gained while at the Finance Ministry will help him tackle consumer and domestic trade issues more effectively.

As the new Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Minister, he said, he

would work hard to continue the tradition of excellence set by his predecessor.

"As a minister in a ministry new to me, I realise there are many more for me to learn.

"I wish to thank and give my highest regard to the Prime Minister for giving me the opportunity to serve as Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs

Minister.

"Like other ministers, I will be together in assisting him to implement all his visions and policies," he said in a statement yesterday.

Dr Jamaluddin thanked the administrative staff, officers of departments and agencies under the Finance Ministry for their co-operation.

He said he was thankful to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi for putting the trust in him and he had gained a lot of experience and knowledge from Abdullah who is also Finance Minister.

He also recorded his gratefulness to former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad for his guidance and advice.