

## **MB: New faces make up 70pct of Johor exco line-up**

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As many as 70 percent of the Johor state executive council (exco) members announced today are young and new faces said Menteri Besar Onn Hafiz Ghazi.

When announcing the matter, he said that this time the exco line-up consists of leaders of various races, apart from taking into account the gender balance, a true reflection of Bangsa Johor.

“This line-up is a combination of leaders who are loaded with experience and knowledgeable young leaders.

“I believe and am confident that this line-up will be able to carry out the duties and responsibilities given to them with full trust, dedication and integrity in the next five years,” he said at a press conference at Saujana, his official residence, in Johor Bharu.

Also present were 10 Johor state assemblypersons who were appointed as Johor exco members and took the oath of office before the Sultan of Johor Sultan Ibrahim Sultan Iskandar.

### **Huge challenges**

Onn Hafiz, realising the huge challenges ahead, as the state and the country are still battling the Covid-19 pandemic, gave his assurance that he and the new state exco members will do their best to drive Johor to a higher level for the well-being of the people of Johor, with the help of government officials and staff.

“At the same time, we will work hard to fulfil all the pledges made by Barisan Nasional (BN) during the recent Johor state election campaign.

“The five Ikhtiar BN Johor, namely economic growth, people's wellbeing, the youth of Johor, governance with integrity and political reforms, will definitely be implemented in the future and become Johor's priority,” said the Machap assemblyperson.

Onn Hafiz also said that the new state administration would emphasise the concept of 'Bangsa Johor', where all people of Johor, irrespective of religion and background, would be equally involved in developing the state.

“Aspects of welfare, economy, education and health of the people will be the priority and focus of the state government. Therefore, we need the support and prayers of each of you, the people of Johor, for us to carry out this trust and responsibility,” said Onn Hafiz, who also is the state Land Revenue, Administration, Finance, Planning and Economic Development Committee, chairperson.

The Johor exco line-up consists of Buloh Kasap assemblyman Zahari Sarip as Agriculture, Agro-Based and Rural Development Committee chairperson; Mohd Jafni Md Shukor (Bukit Permai) as Housing and Local Government Committee chairperson and K Raven Kumar (Tenggaroh) as Tourism, Environment, Heritage and Culture Committee chairperson.

Also appointed were two assemblypersons, namely Khairin Nisa Ismail (Serom) as Women, Family and Community Development Committee chairperson and Norlizah Noh (Johor Lama) as Education, Information and Communication Committee chairperson.

Apart from that, Mohd Hairi Mad Shah (Larkin) as Youth, Sports, Entrepreneur Development, Cooperatives and Human Resources Committee chairperson; Mohd Fared Mohd Khalid (Semerah) as Islamic Religious Affairs Committee chairperson; Ling Tian Soon (Yong Peng) as Health and Unity Committee

chairman; Lee Ting Han (Paloh) as Trade, Investment and Consumer Affairs Committee chairperson and Ir Mohamad Fazli Mohamad Salleh (Bukit Pasir) as Public Works, Transport and Infrastructure Committee chairperson.

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