

**Kelantan BN Line Up: Mustapa Contests Two Seats, 25 New Faces**  
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KOTA BAHARU, April 16 (Bernama) -- Barisan Nasional (BN) Kelantan chairman Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed will shoulder the double task of contesting in the Ayer Lanas state assembly seat and defending his Jeli parliamentary seat in the party's mission to conquer the state in the 13th General Election (GE13).

This move also strengthens the view that the International Trade and Industry Minister is slated to be menteri besar of Kelantan if the mission is a success.

Mustapa announced the names of the BN candidates for Kelantan at the Umno building here Tuesday, unveiling a line up of 25 new faces and veterans, including Deputy Finance Minister and Bachok Umno head Datuk Dr Awang Adek Hussin for the Bachok parliamentary seat.

Another veteran retained is Gua Musang Umno head Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah who defend his Gua Musang parliamentary seat while seven state assemblymen who won in the previous general election and one by-election will be defending their respective seats.

They are Datuk Mohd Alwi Che Ahmad (Kok Lanas), Datuk Noor Zahidi Omar (Pengkalan Kubor), Mohd Adhan Kechik (Bukit Bunga), Datuk Abdul Aziz Derashid (Kuala Balah), Mat Yusoff Abdul Ghani (Nenggiri), Datuk Nozula Mat Diah (Paloh) and Abd Aziz Yusoff (Galas).

Tan Ken Ten, the Kota Baharu MCA division head, has been named for the Kota Lama state seat.

In a historic move, Kuala Krai Umno has sacrificed its traditional Guchil state seat to the People's Progressive Party's (PPP) vice-president Datuk Nik Sapeia Nik Yusoff.

"This is a historic move as we know PPP needs seats too. I hope they appreciate the sacrifice and work really hard for a big win," said Mustapa.

Twenty-three of the fresh names were for the following state seats: Wan Razman Wan Abd Razak (Chempaka), Kanidy Omar (Tanjong Mas), Mohd Fakhurrazi Abdul Rahim (Bunut Payong), Tuan Anuwa Tuan Mat (Pengkalan Pasir), Aimi Jusoh (Chetok), Datuk Mohamad Nordin Awang (Salor), Mohd Shamsul Mohd Yusoff (Pasir Tumboh), Wan Mohd Nazi Wan Hamat (Demit), Mohd Zain Yasim (Tawang).

Datuk Mohammad Zaidi Sidek (Perupok), Mohd Othman Omar (Melor), Mohd Basri Awang (Kadok), Baharudin Yusof (Bukit Panau), Bakri@Mohd Bakri Mustapha (Gual Ipoh), Dayang Saniah Awang Hamid (Kemahang), Zulkifli Ali ( Selising), Mohd Rujhan Salleh (Limbongan), Zawawi Othman (Semerak), Redzuan Stapha (Gaal), Halim@Ab Halim Ismail (Pulai Chondong), Azemi Mat Zin (Temangan), Eriandi Ismail (Kemuning), Datuk Nik Sapeia Nik Yusoff (Guchil) and Che Jalal Muda (Manek Urai).

The other two are Ghazali Ismail and Tuan Mustaffa Tuan Mat who will do battle in the Rantau Panjang and Pasir Puteh parliamentary seats respectively.

Kelantan BN is also fielding six religious personalities among them Mohd Shamsul Yusoff, Mohd Fakhurrazi Abdul Rahim and Mohd Afandi Yusoff.

Meanwhile, two women, Dayang Saniah Awang Hamid and Nik Noriza Nik Salleh, will lock horns in the Kemahang and Pasir Pekan state seats respectively.

Mustapa said, " I met with all the divisions last night, attended by candidates and non-candidates.

We had a harmonious meeting and I'm confident everyone will work together."

Describing the candidates list as Kelantan BN's transformation team, he said the party was confident of winning at least 23 state and eight parliamentary seats.

The state has 14 parliamentary and 45 state assembly seats.

He added that Pasir Mas Member of parliament Datuk Ibrahim Ali would not be contesting under the BN ticket as the seat had been given to the Pasir Umno deputy head, Che Johan Che Pa.

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