

Three Kadazandusun Murut Ministers A Landmark Decision To Empower Sabahans Bernama 16 May, 2013

KOTA KINABALU, May 16 (Bernama) -- Local political activist Kanul Gindol described the appointment of three Kadazandusun Murut (KDM) leaders in Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's cabinet as a landmark decision by the federal government in empowering Sabahans.

He said the historic appointment of the Kota Marudu member of Parliament Datuk Seri Maximus Ongkili as Minister of Energy, Green Technology and Water, Tan Sri Joseph Kurup (Minister in the Prime Minister's Department) and Datuk Dr Ewon Ebin (Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation) augured well for Malaysia and particularly the KDM community.

"Never before in 50 years, have we had three Kadazandusun Muruts as Federal ministers at any one time. The trio must not fail Najib, and they should not rest on their laurels in order to prevent any disappointment" he told Bernama, here today.

"It speaks volumes of Najib's political will and appreciation of Sabah's (and also Sarawak's) continued support for BN," he said.

Aside from the trio, Sabah is also represented in the federal cabinet by Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal (Minister of Rural and Regional Development); Datuk Seri Anifah Aman (Minister of Foreign Affairs) and Datuk Abdul Rahman Dahlan (Minister of Urban Well-being, Housing and Local Government).

The deputy ministers are Datuk Mary Yap (Ministry of Education and Higher Learning); Datuk Abdul Rahim Bakri (Ministry of Defence); Datuk Rosnah Abdul Rashid Shirlin (Ministry of Works) and Datuk Azizah Mohd Dun (Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development).

In the recent 13th general election, Sabah BN, led by Chief Minister Datuk Seri Musa Aman, won 22 parliamentary and 48 state seats.

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