

We're not pro-Bn or PR, but pro-Tunku Abdul Rahman, says new political party
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SERDANG, Parti Ikatan Bangsa Malaysia (Ikatan), which aims to carry on the legacy of Malaysia's Father of Independence, was officially launched today.

Its president, Tan Sri Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir, said there were many things amiss with current the administration, hence the birth of Ikatan, which will focus on defending the people.

"After more than 30 years of serving in the government and politics, I see a lot of things amiss in the government. So a few friends and I came together to stop this damage.

"Unfortunately, due to corruption, misuse of powers, leakages, widespread wastage, greed, arrogance and pride, the rights of the people are being trampled on.

"We are not pro-Barisan Nasional, not pro-Opposition, but we are pro-spirit of our former noble leader. We are pro-rakyat and the coming generation," he said at the party's launch today, alluding to the country's first Prime Minister Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj

Abdul Kadir, who left Umno in 2012, said Ikatan would commence recruitment of its members starting today as a way to expand the influence of the party.

He explained that the party's focus would solely be on the struggle for the future generation, with no intention of elections.

"We are not a party for the next elections, we are a party for the next generation. We will make our stand when the time comes."

Also present at the launch event were Justice of Peace Tan Sri Robert Phang and veteran journalist Datuk A Kadir Jasin.

Abdul Kadir formed Ikatan three years ago in May 2012, which was said to bolster opposition towards Barisan Nasional.

At the time, the former minister quit from Angkatan Amanah Merdeka (Amanah), a non-governmental organisation, to form the political party.

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