

## **Assemblyman Joniston tells Warisan he does not promise, but delivers**

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**The Kiulu BN assemblyman, replying to accusations by Warisan's Jo-Anna Henley Rampas that he has neglected his constituency, says he will let his constituents judge him.**

KOTA KINABALU: Kiulu assemblyman Joniston Bangkuai insists that the people in his constituency will be the judge of his performance, in response to allegations thrown at him by opposition Parti Warisan Sabah (Warisan).

He said he worked hard to fulfil the needs of his constituents.

Warisan women's vice-chief Jo-Anna Henley Rampas had alleged that many promises by him to develop the Kiulu area had yet to be fulfilled.

"I would like to ask Jo-Anna what are the promises I made. Unlike her and her party who would promise the moon and stars because she is in the opposition, I'm not one who makes promises. But I work hard in delivering and fulfilling the needs of the people," said Joniston, who is also Sabah Tourism Board chairman.

Henley Rampas is from Kiulu. There is speculation that the former beauty queen will contest the seat for Warisan in the coming general election.

She said Joniston had failed to address issues such as bad road networks and infrastructure, the low rubber price dogging Kiulu smallholders, the delay in the issuance of Native Customary Rights (NCR) land titles and SMK Nabalau's state of disrepair.

"She (Henley Rampas) did not reply to my question on what her party president (Shafie Apdal) had done for Kiulu when he was federal rural development minister," Joniston told FMT, referring to his query to Henley Rampas earlier.

"Numerous requests for badly needed rural infrastructure in Kiulu were hand delivered to his office but there had been no response.

"Jo Anna is talking about development in Kiulu over the last 15 years but I only became assemblyman four years ago. Let the people of Kiulu judge my performance so far."

Joniston, who won the Kiulu seat in the last election on the Parti Bersatu Sabah ticket, said he would rather work to develop Kiulu than make promises as Warisan was prone to do.

“I would also like to inform Jo-Anna that I have, without fail at every state assembly sitting, raised the need to address and speed up the construction of SMK Nabalu. I’ve been doing this since long before she joined politics.”

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