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Sothinathan is BN's Teluk Kemang candidate

MR SOTHINATHAN s/o Sinna Goundar, the political secretary to Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu, was yesterday named as the Barisan Nasional (BN) candidate for the coming Teluk Kemang parliamentary by-election next month.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad made the announcement after launching the MEC national dealers' convention and new corporate logo in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

A Port Dickson MIC member, Sothinathan, 40, is a lawyer by profession with a LL.B degree from University of London.

Besides a sportsman, he is also a lecturer at Locke Academy in Seremban.

Following the announcement, Dr Mahathir, who is also BN chairman urged all members of the component parties to rally behind the candidate to ensure the party's success in the by-election.

The Teluk Kemang parliamentary constituency fell vacant following the death of its Member of Parliament S.A Anpalagan on April 30. Anpalagan was also the former Health Ministry's parliamentary secretary.

The nomination for candidates has been set on May 30, and if there is a contest, polling is scheduled to be held on June 10.

Based on the electoral roll verified last February 24, there are 66,646 registered voters, including 5,005 postal voters in the constituency.

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