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## Commitment to racial balance in civil service

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The Pakatan Harapan government is committed to ensuring a racial balance in the civil service, said Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Mohamed Hanipa Maidin.

However, he said, the appointment of an individual to the civil service was based on qualifications under the Public Service Commission.

"The government appointed a non-Malay as the finance minister based on merit and credibility.

"The appointments of the attorney-general and chief justice

are examples of what the government is doing to create an environment where non-Malays will be interested to work in the civil service," he said in a question-and-answer session at the Senate sitting here yesterday.

He was replying to a question from Senator Akmaz Ehtook on the racial imbalance among civil servants in the country.

Hanipa said based on Public

Service Commission statistics from 2015 to June, Malays made up the highest number (79.66 per cent) of people who were interested in working in the civil service and had registered with the commission.

"This is followed by Sabah Bumiputeras at 7.84 per cent; Sarawak (5.59 per cent); Indians (3.21 per cent); other races (1.84 per cent); Chinese (1.6 per cent) and natives 0.25 per cent." **Bernama**



**Mohamed Hanipa Maidin**