

Two Different Indonesian Ulema Groups Supporting Presidential Candidates



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The so-called Koppasandi or the National Campaign Ulema Team for the victory of Prabowo-Sandiaga in the 2019 presidential election was declared on Sunday (4 November).

Not only was the declaration attended by Prabowo, but it was also attended by BPN (the National Campaign Team) leader, General (ret.) Djoko Santoso and its member Eggi Sudjana; the Secretary General of the (Islamic) National Mandate Party (PAN), Eddy Soeparno; other important Islamic political figures of Berkarya Party, of FPI, FUUI, BKsPPI, FUI, and many more.

According to Vice-Chairman of Koppasandi, cleric HM Mursalin, the very declaration meeting reminds him of the grand Islamic rallies to protest Ahok (of former Jakarta governor) which were held two years ago.

He also said that their jihadism commitment had ended up with a good result of imprisoning Ahok in jail. [He admittedly acknowledged, however, that Jokowi had taken his unbelievably step by naming the General Chairman of the Indonesian Ulema council (MUD), cleric Ma'ruf Amin as his vice-Presidential candidate.]

Mentioning that the presidential election would take place in five (5) month time, cleric Mursalin said that Koppasandi was established to also complete the ulema ijtima (agreement) with their idea to support, winning Prabowo-Sandi in the 2019 Presidential race.

He insisted that their actions were meant to create NKRI [the Unitary Republic of Indonesia] which was protected by Allah.

[The so-called Indonesian political Islam has, indeed, been established through the present Indonesian political rivalry as both the existing two vice-presidential and presidential candidates, Prabowo-Sandiaga and Jokowi-Ma'ruf Amin, are respectively supported by two different Islamic groups, the hard-liners and those of the moderates.]

Source:

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