

## Rebranding of Rascom Development Agency being finalised, reveals Kanowit MP

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Aaron (centre, wearing cap) attends the closing of Kanowit Festival.

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KANOWIT, Sept 24: Rascom Development Agency (Rasda) will be rebranded as Mid-Rajang Regional Development Agency soon.

Speaking at the closing of Kanowit Festival today, National Unity Minister Datuk Aaron Ago Dagang said that the documentation for the name change is still in the process of being finalised and is currently under discussion.

"While I have been informed that I will assume the role of chairman for the agency, I have not yet gained a comprehensive understanding of the agency.

"Nevertheless, we have already obtained approval (RM1.5 billion) from the State government in terms of funding," he stressed.

He called on the public, especially the residents of Kanowit and Selangau to be patient and await the finalisation of all details and approvals required from the relevant authorities for agency.

Later when pressed by reporters, the Kanowit MP said four State constituencies namely Machan, Ngemah, Kakus, and Tamin will fall under the agency.

"Our initial discussion under the agency (main objective) is to increase household income. Although others choose (to improve) infrastructure such as water supply and electricity," he said.

Aaron said that it mainly involves the agriculture sector in the area through the involvement of modern technology, as the small population in the area can only produce small production.

"With the intervention of new technologies, we will be able to produce more, and we target to export the products locally or overseas. But to export, there must be big production, and big production needs big business going on," he said. — DayakDaily