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## Local Daily News

**April 19, 2018**

### **EU continues funding PDHJ's activity in political campaign**

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The European Union (EU) declared to continue funding Timorese Human Rights and Justice Ombudsman (PDHJ)'s monitoring on the early election with its rest of fund allocated for the 2017's parliamentary election. The EU's funding support provided for the Ombudsman was officially signed by the EU's Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Alexandre Leitao and the Ombudsman, Silveiro Pinto on Wednesday (18/4). Mr. Pinto, who is the ombudsman, said the EU offered the funding to the ombudsman as PDHJ lacked of fund and said the referred fund would be used for purchasing fuel and five cameras for documentation purposes and other needs. Meanwhile, the EU Ambassador Leitao said the EU was committed to supporting PDHJ by offering the 2017's budget to the country's ombudsman.

### **SEJTL provides a test for young Timorese with Korean Language**

*Televisaun Timor-Leste, April 18, 2018 language source: Tetun*

Secretary of State for Youth and Labor (SEJT), Nivio Magalhaes said the Korean Language test was done to prepare the young Timorese who would like to work in South Korea. Mr. Magalhaes made the comments after visiting the young Timorese, who took part in the language test, which was held at GMT Sport hall of Dili on Tuesday (17/4). He affirmed that not only the language test, but there would be also health examination for each participant before being employed in Korea. "The test is done to select qualified young Timorese as they will represent Timor-Leste in overseas," he said.

### **International observers to observe early election: STAE director**

*Televisaun Timor-Leste, April 18, 2018 language source: Tetun*

Director-General of Technical Secretariat for Electoral Administration (STAE), Acilino Branco said number of international observers had been here in the country to observe the early election on the upcoming May 12. Mr. Branco affirmed that STAE had accredited those international observers, so that they could arrange their times to observe the early election. "We have accredited some international observers from the European Union, Australia, America, IRI and Japan," he said.

### **FRETILIN considers AMP does not have campaign programs, AMP denies insulting other leaders**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 19, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

Chief of FRETILIN Bench at National Parliament, Francisco Miranda Branco said some political parties' leaders, particularly Aliansa Mudansa ba Progresu (AMP)'s leaders did not talk about their programs during election campaign, but they just insult and slander their opponents. However, Branco appreciated Timorese people in the territory of Timor-Leste for showing their maturity during fresh election campaign. "As a politician and citizen, I observed that in the first week of the fresh election campaign Timorese people showed their maturity unlike politicians who instead of talking about programs, insulting their opponents," Branco said at FRETILIN Bench Hall at the House of Parliament on Monday (17/04). Earlier CNE's President, Alcino Barris also said that during the first week of fresh election campaign political parties did not talk about their programs, but they mostly insult each other particularly, FRETILIN and AMP Parties. On the other hand, AMP's National Directive Council Member, Dionisio Babo denied that AMP's leaders insulted and slandered their opponents during the first week of election campaign, saying AMP's leaders talk about programs and had been following National Commission for Election (CNE) and Technical Secretariat for Electoral Administration' rules and schedules.

### **Assanami: PD is established to build the state**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 19, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

President of Democratic Party (PD), Mariano Assanami Sabino said PD was established to build the democratic state with democratic principles. "Democracy means the government is from people and since our fight for independence, we have been upholding this value and PD holds onto this value to construct prosperous society," Assanami said on Tuesday (17/04) at PD's Campaign in Maulau Village of Maubisse of Ainaro. In addition, PD's Deputy Secretary-General, Meta Malik called on Maubisse people to vote for PD because PD would give opportunity and freedom for everyone to do their martial art activities.

### **PEP to improve quality of education and health sectors**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 19, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

Esperansa da Patria Party (PEP) pledges improve quality of education, health, economy, and tourism in Timor-Leste if it has a chance to lead the Timorese Government for the next five years. "We supposed to do campaign in Manufahi, but because of some other things that National Board should do, we could not go to Same of Manufahi, but our Municipality Coordinator is doing the campaign door-to-door," PEP's President for Professionals Union, Sancho Da Costa said at PEP's Office in Fatuhada of Dili on Wednesday (18/04). He called on PEP's followers in Manufahi Municipality and other municipalities to be able to welcome of PEP's coordinators who did door-to-door campaign.

## **KNDL bans parents not to bring their children to participate in campaign**

*Independente, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Coordinator of electoral campaign monitoring team from the National Commission for Children's Right (KNDL), Cipriano das Neves had called on the parents, who would participate in the electoral campaign, not to bring their children as the campaign would affect their education. He said that the number of children, who participated in the electoral campaign continue to increase. Adding that the children that participated in the political campaign told KNDL's observation team that they were brought by their parents. "The number of children participated in this kind of activity [campaign] continue to increase. During our observation in the field, we tried to interview the children and they told us that they came with their parents," das Neves said.

## **Police identifies slingshot arrow's group**

*Independente, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) in Dili Municipality, Superintendent Chief Pedro Belo said that they had identified group of gangsters, who used "Rama Ambon" – Slingshot arrow – to wound innocent people in Dili recently. He said that the police had detained some members of this criminal group, but some others were not detained yet and that they continue to hurt people. "Those who are still outside have been identified but the court had not send an official letter that allow the police to detain these criminals," Belo said. He said that they had delegated investigation team to approach the court in order to provide the police letter of authorisation to detain the criminals, yet the Dili District Court had not send the police authorisation letter.

## **Ombudsmen detects abuse of power and violation in campaign**

*Independente, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Timorese Ombudsmen Silverio Pinto Baptista in a press conference said that their observation team for electoral campaign detected that some politicians beached electoral law to use state facilities and involve children in the campaign. "The report we present contains temporary data we got from our observation team that was deployed in the Municipalities include RAEOA. The team were composted of 47 people," Baptista said. He said that parties that were detected to have public servants to participate in the electoral campaign were Fretilin on the 11th, MDN and PD on the 12th. He said that on the 10th of this month when the electoral campaign was officially started, Fretilin also used state facility like cars to do campaign. Meanwhile, Deputy President of the National Commission for Election (CNE) Duarte Tilman said that CNE cooperated with the police in RAEOA to stop activity of Fretilin in Oe-Cusse because they did their activity which was out of the campaign schedule, yet they [Fretilin] continue to do their activity; therefore the act was considered as a crime. "The police send notification letter to the party's coordinator and then the police and CNE did the intervention, yet they continue to do their activity. Therefore CNE considers this is crime," Tilman said.

## **Gusmão challenges Horta, Alkatiri and Araujo to hand documents of resistance**

*Suara Timor Lorosae, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Former Commander in Chief of FALINTIL Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão had challenged Jose Ramos Horta, Mari Alkatiri and Abilio de Araujo to had documents of resistance in order to put them in the National Museum to let the public to access the referred documents. Former Prime Minister called on the former diplomats, Horta, Alkatiri and Araujo to hand the documents sent by commander of guerrilla fighters during the struggle for the liberation of this country. "I will ask all the documents sent to them. They [should] hand the documents back to put them in the National Museum. Therefore I am calling on Dr. Jose Ramos Horta and Dr. Mari Alkatiri to hand back the resistance documents sent to them when they were overseas. They have never respond me. You maybe scare to put the documents in the museum as all people will know it," Gusmão said.

## **SIK detains actor of human trafficking**

*Suara Timor Lorosae, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Criminal Investigation Service (SIK) of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) yesterday detained a suspect with the initial NDCM, who was believed to commit in human trafficking. The investigation police detain the suspect after they received authorisation letter from the Public Prosecution. The suspect had ever been detained and processed in court due to the involvement in human trafficking.

## **Taur: As long as we are alive, Fretilin will not rule**

*Timor Post, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Spokesperson of "Aliansa Mudansa ba Progresu" Taur Matan Ruak said that there would be no place for Fretilin to rule or govern this country when Xanana Gusmão and himself [Taur] were still alive. "You can trust this because it is not us, who do not want to permit them but they are not permitted by sacred land and soul of dead people," Taur Matan Ruak said. At the same time, President of AMP Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão reiterated Fretilin's motto "Timor-Leste should not wait anymore, as the time has come" meaning that time had come to not let Fretilin to rule this country.

## **Police to secure peace march**

*Timor Post, April 19, 2018 Language source: English*

Deputy Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) in Dili Municipality, Superintendent Assistant Eulides Belo said that Dili District police would ensure the security during the event of peace march that would be held by Peace and Justice Commission fro Dili Diocese on the 10th of May. Belo said that the peace and justice commission would present theme of the peace march to the Bishop of Dili Diocese Monsignor Virgilio do Carmo da Silva for an approval before the event would be realised. "The true theme will be presented to the Bishop for an approval," Belo said. He said that the event that would be held was a peaceful event and hoping that this peaceful situation would be maintained during the early election process.

## **April 18, 2018**

## **MAP opens training on mechanization in Manatuto**

*Televizaun Timor-Leste, April 16, 2018 language source: Tetun*

State Minister for Economy and Agriculture (MAP), Estanislao da Silva has officially opened agricultural mechanization training in Manatuto aimed at increasing agricultural production in the country. TVTL reported that training was provided by trainers from the Government of China and the participants were technicians from MAP and the operators of tractors. "We received the equipment from the Government of China. We were offered with rice drilling machine and also rice planting machine. It is important for the country's

people to learn, so that it can be implemented in the daily activity," he said. The Government of China has declared to continue providing training on maintenance for the Timorese people in the future, TVTL reports.

### **CDI finds children in political campaign**

*Radio Timor-Leste, April 17, 2018 language source: Tetun*

NGO CDI (Community Development Interest) has reported that its monitors found number of children taking part in political campaign of certain political parties. Director for CDI, Juviano Xavier said his monitors pictured number of the children in the political campaign by holding parties' flags and painting their faces. Mr. Xavier affirmed that CDI would cooperate with the country's State bodies in order to explain about the impact of involving children in political campaign to the parents and political parties.

### **MAP and FAO hold training on agricultural preservation**

*Televizaun Timor-Leste, April 17, 2018 language source: Tetun*

The Ministry of Agriculture (MAP) and FAO on Monday (16/4) held training on agricultural preservation to 25 teachers of Agricultural Technical School of Fuiloro, Natarbora and Maliana. Maria Odete Guterres, director-general for MAP said the training was held to preserve the country's agriculture and the environment to keep and maintain fertility of the soil. "The training is held to train the teachers from Fuiloro, Natarbora and Maliana in order transfer the skills they gain to their students in order to preserve the country's agriculture," he said. Merita Pereira, the teacher from Fuiloro Agricultural School, said the training was important for them as it could increase their skills and knowledge, so that they could transfer it to the students.

### **ICS students explain nutrition to communities in Bahamori**

*Televizaun Timor-Leste, April 17, 2018 language source: Tetun*

Institute of Health (ICS) are currently doing door to door campaign to explain about nutritive food to the community members in Bahamori, the southern Municipality of Viqueque. The main target of the door to door health campaign is pregnant women and children. Maria da Silva, ICS's Health Department said the students explained about the country's local food, which contained nutrition to the pregnant women. "The students are here to put in practice the theories, which they gain at Campus. They are here in the community to find out what the cause of malnutrition is and how to prevent it, especially in the village of Bahamori," he said.

### **PNTL does not tolerate illegal border crossing**

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The Timorese National Police (PNTL), particularly local police of Oecusse Region does not tolerate Timorese or Indonesian citizens who cross border without legal documents amid Timor-Leste's Fresh Election Campaign to combat conflict provocateur. According to Oecusse Police Commander, Arnaldo De Jesus Araujo, Timor-Leste is having Fresh Election and currently political parties are on political campaign, so PNTL needs to tighten control to prevent any unwanted situation. "I am calling on all people to remain calm amid political campaign and not to bend any rule or law and for those who want to visit their family in Indonesia or in Timor-Leste should have legal documents," Commander Araujo made the call when speaking to journalists at his office in Oecusse on Monday (16/04).

### **Lere: Fresh Election Campaign goes on peacefully**

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The Timorese Defense Force (F-FDTL) Commander, Major General Lere Anan Timur met with President of the Republic, Francisco Guterres Lu-Olo to report about current security situation amid fresh election campaign. Speaking to journalist after the meeting, Commander Lere said the security situation remain calm and peaceful amid political parties' campaign in the territory of Timor-Leste. "The first week of political parties' campaign went well and community welcomed political parties' leaders peacefully, so there is no problem at all," Commander Lere said at Presidential Palace in Aitarak Laran, Dili yesterday (17/04).

### **Political parties insult each other, CNE to notify FRETILIN and AMP**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 18, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

The National Commission for Election (CNE) is going to send notification letters to FRETILIN Party and Coalition Party of Aliansa Mudansa ba Progresu (AMP) for insulting each other during their political campaign. According to CNE's observation, during fresh election campaign, the two big parties; FRETILIN and AMP mostly insult each other and it might cause any unwanted situation. "We want to notify them as an alert to watch their language and I am also calling on civil society, church, and other entities to accompany this process to hold everyone accountable," CNE's President, Alcino Barris said at his office on Tuesday (17/04).

### **STAE recommends Grafica Nacional to print 784,286 ballot papers**

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It is scheduled that today (18/04), the Technical Secretariat for Electoral Administration (STAE) is going to give number of voters who are going to participate in election on May 12, 2018 to Grafica Nacional to print ballot papers based on the numbers of the voters. "the total number of voters in the data base is 787,761, but only 784,286 are going to participate in the upcoming election because more than 3,000 of them have not reach the age of 17 on May 12, so they could not participate in the upcoming election," Director General of STAE, Acilino Manuel Branco said at his office on Tuesday (17/04). He added according to Timor-Leste's election law, the citizens above 16 years old could register, but they could not participate in the election if they had not reached the age of 17 on May 12, 2018.

### **CNE laments political parties do not uphold National Unity Pact**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 18, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

The National Commission for Election (CNE) laments political parties' leaders use slanderous and discriminative language during their political campaign because these political parties have signed National Unity Pact and pledged not to use slanderous language during election campaign. "The political parties' leaders have pledged not to use slanderous and discriminative language, but according to CNE's observation, these leaders have not put up with their promise and upheld the principles of National Unity Pact that they signed before going to campaign," CNE's President, Alcino Barris said at his office yesterday (17/04). He added the slanderous and discriminative languages might cause conflict and instability, so it was important for leaders to watch their languages during political campaign.

## **Horta calls Timor-Leste's government a total failure over past ten years**

*Independente, April 18, 2018 Language source: English*

Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Jose Ramos Horta in an interview with Associated Press stated that previous government that ruled the country over ten years had failed people, as they could not improve areas such as reducing number of malnourished children and providing clean water for the people. "If I had been Prime Minister for 10 years, I would have focused all those 10 years on quality of education, on rural development and that means water and sanitation for the people," Horta said in an interview with the Associated Press. He made the statement because the result of a study conducted by the United Nations showed that the "social economic indicators, particularly on malnutrition and children's growth are extremely negative".

## **Lere calls on people to strengthen peace and stability**

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In a meeting with Brigadier General Filomeno Paixão and Colonel Falur Rate Laek, Chief of State Major General for the Timorese Defence Force (F-FDTL) Major General Lere Anan Timur had called on all the people in the country to strengthen peace and stability. "Our talk focused on the security situation in the country like the political situation in the country. We talk about many things mainly about political situation, where our political leaders are doing political campaign on how to develop this country to bring people in this country for a good future," Major General Lere said. He said that it would be important for all the people not to be trapped by the languages used by the political leaders like Xanana Gusmnao, Mari Alkatiri and Jose Ramos Horta during their political campaign, adding that people should remain calm in order to contribute to the peace and stability maintenance.

## **Lere prefers national consensus and writing history of Timor**

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Chief of State Major General for the Timorese Defence Force (F-FDTL) Major General Lere Anan Timur had called on the armed, diplomatic and clandestine fronts to watch out their word before pronouncing them out during the electoral campaign. He said that it would be important for the leaders from these three fronts to be united and not to defame each other during their political campaign. "What I want is that three fronts that cooperated together to fight for our independence should have national consensus. If there is no consensus then one day we will face a problem," Major General Lere said. He said that electoral campaign was part of democratic feast and that political leaders might have different opinion but they had to avoid defaming other people or parties.

## **Asanami is sad as national leaders tell story and underestimate others**

*Timor Post, April 18, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

President of the Democratic Party (PD) Mariano Asanami Sabino said that he was sad to see national leaders that telling about history intended to let other people down or to underestimate others. "I am sad seeing national leaders like Xanana Gusmão, Mari Alkatiri, Jose Ramos Horta and Taur Matan Ruak talk about each other due to the history. As a new generation we have responsibility to reunite them in order to maintain national unity," Asanami said. He said that it would take long time to have such a national unity in Timor; therefore it would be better for all the people in the country to be united rather to split.

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## **AJAR holds workshop EU's funded movie called Laloran Justisa**

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Asia Justice and Rights (AJAR) last Friday held a workshop discussing about the movie, which was financially funded by the European Union (EU). The movie is about justice, of which theme is "Laloran Justisa" and that was broadcast on the Timorese Public Television (TVTL). Speaking to journalists, Director for AJAR said the workshop was conducted to present result of the assessment on the production of the movie to make improvement in the future. "It is about presentation of the assessment result of Laloran Justisa movie, which was broadcast on TVTL last year. Today, we are here to make an assessment on what has been done successfully and what the problems are," he said.

## **65% of health facilities do not get access to water**

*Televizaun Timor-Leste, April 16, 2018 language source: Tetun*

Deputy Minister for Health (MS), Luis Lobato said 65% of the Timor-Leste's health facilities at all health centers throughout the country did not get access to clean water. Mr.Lobato made the comments after taking part in the meeting with development partners, namely WHO, UNDP and others on Monday (16/4) in Dili. He affirmed that the meeting was aimed at seeking for solutions to the water scarcity, which all health centers faced throughout the country. "65% of all health facilities at all health centers throughout the territory of Timor-Leste are experiencing the water scarcity." "The clean water is very important for people's lives; therefore it is necessary for us to make an assessment on every health center in order to find out, the water scarcity that the health centers face," he said.

## **F-FDTL officers participate in shooting competition in Australia**

*GMN Diario Nacional, April 17, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

The Timorese Defense Force (F-FDTL) officers are going to depart to Australia to participate in the shooting competition in Adelaide of Australia. "This team, they are selected in March, the team composed of ten officers and they are going to participate in the competition on May 13," Deputy Commander of F-FDTL, Brigadier General, Filomeno Paixao told journalists on Friday (13/04) at F-FDTL

Headquarter in Fatuhada, Dili. He added this international competition would be participated by military officers from several countries such as Indonesia, New Zealand and including Timor-Leste.

## **HAK calls on government to provide good facilities to judicial officials**

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The Timorese Human Rights Association (HAK) calls on the upcoming government to improve facilities to better facilitate judicial officials. "The training center for investigative police should be improved including facilities for judicial officials," HAK Director, Manuel Monteiro told GMN at his office in Palpasu, Dili recently. He added to be able to get qualified human resources in justice sector and good quality of service; the state should invest more in it.

## **PNTL rents 59 vehicles to escort Fresh Election**

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The Timorese National Police (PNTL) Command has rented 59 four-wheel- vehicle to escort Fresh Election process. "We have rented 47 vehicles, but it is not enough, so we rent 12 more to distribute to 12 municipalities including Oecusse Region to be used during Fresh Election period," PNTL Administration Department Chief, Superintendent Chief, Mateus Fernandes at PNTL Headquarter in Kaikoli, Dili on Monday (19/04). He added PNTL Command was trying to facilitate its officers to do their jobs during election process because PNTL was going to deploy as many officers as possible to each village in the territory of Timor-Leste.

## **Education in ten years still inadequate**

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Secretary General of Fretilin Mari Alkatiri said that previous government led by Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão did not bring any change to the education sector, as the reality showed that this sector was still inadequate underdeveloped. "[They] ruled the country for 10 years but there was no adequacy education for students ...," Alkatiri said. Alkatiri made the statement during electoral campaign on the 15th (Sunday) in Aileu Municipality.

## **CNE calls on Fretilin and AMP to stop insults**

*Independente, April 17, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

President of the National Commission for Election (CNE) Alcino Barris said that electoral campaign conducted by political parties went well so far but leaders from Fretilin and "Aliansa Mudansa ba Progresu" continued to insult each other and that may attribute to the emergence of conflict therefore they should stop it. He said that the political parties did their electoral campaign based on the campaign schedule, yet Fretilin and AMP breached regulation that banned politicians not to commit in agitation and provocation during their campaign. "We can say the electoral campaign process is going well as the evaluation made by CNE officers in the field that the political parties respect campaign schedules from the beginning to the end. The politicians also divulged information to the party's followers to stay away from conflict," Baris said.

## **Hornai: do not trust false information in Facebook**

*Independente, April 17, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) Commissioner Police Julio da Costa Hornai in his Facebook account [wall], accessed by Independente, stated that the information in Facebook stated that PNTL asked people not to have night activities in certain municipalities and some suburbs in Dili was false. In his wall, he said that PNTL had never posted any information in Facebook and that the recent information spread in Facebook was not reliable. "Good night everyone, who is accessing Facebook. It is me, the Commander of PNTL. I want to clarify the information in the social media saying that people should reduce movement [activity] at night at a certain places mentioned in Facebook was a false information," Hornai stated in his Facebook wall.

## **Military and Police officers are prohibited to involve in politics**

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Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) Commissioner Police Julio da Costa Hornai said that officers of PNTL and the Timorese Defence Force (F-FDTL) were prohibited not to involve in any political activities. He said that PNTL and F-FDTL were the fence of the country therefore the officials from these security and defence institution should carry out their work fairly. "Officials and commanders should abide by the orientation [instruction] made during a meeting with high officials of F-FDTL recently," Commissioner Police Hornai said. He said that it was stated in the RDTL Constitutions that the officials of PNTL and F-FDTL should carry out their work impartially.

## **Young people should be aware not to politicise**

*Suara Timor Lorosae, April 17, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

Chief of the National Congress for the Timorese Reconstruction (CNRT) bench at the National Parliament AraoNoe de Jesus said that young people should not be fooled by politicians, who wanted to use them [young people] to achieve their objective. "I am calling on the young people not to fall into interest of any political party and to destroy other people's life," Noe said. He made the statement regarding the recent criminal acts in some suburbs of Dili where some unknown people used slingshot arrow to wound innocent people.

## **It is not the fault of AMP that lead to early election**

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Counsellor of Youth Party José Naimori Bukar said that it was not fault of "Aliansa Mudansa ba Progresu" that lead to the emergence of early election, yet it was fault of the Former President of Republic Jose Ramos Horta. "Now who will be blamed for this act that brings us to have early election? It is because of Ramos Horta. Therefore people should not blame AMP, as it is innocent. People should not blame People's Liberation Party and CNRT." "They are innocent and but this thing happens due to Noble Peace Laureate Jose Ramos Horta," Naimori said. He said that early election occur, because Jose Ramos Horta was incapable of embracing all people. Adding that he [Horta] always considered KHUNTO of having lack of capability as well.

## **CNE considers historical leaders reveal their weakness publicly**

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President of the National Commission for Election (CNE) Alcino Barris said that some historical leaders revealed their weaknesses publicly. "The result of our observation showed that the politicians of 74-75 attacked each other. They underestimate each other and to reveal weaknesses and secret to the public," Barris said. He said that the electoral campaign from the political parties should be informative and educative so that people can participate in the election based on their conscience.

## **Situation in the territory is under control**

*Timor Post, April 17, 2018 Language source: Tetun*

Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL) Commissioner Police Julio da Costa Hornai said that the general security situation in the territory was under control. "[I want to] inform all the people in the territory that the general security situation in the country starting from the day when the political parties officially started their electoral campaign until this point, the security situation in the territory is under control," Hornai said. He said that the police commanders in each Municipality had presented their report to the general commander of PNTL that there was no problem occurred during the electoral campaign from the eight political parties.