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SINTOK: The Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry wants to create a pool of athletes from among its workforce.

Deputy Minister, Datuk Seri Tajuddin Abdul Rahman said it was about time that potential athletes among the ministry's staff be groomed and propelled to a level worthy of recognition.

"Football, badminton and golf are world favourite sports, so let's

try to produce one or two athletes or sports personalities from our workforce who can shine on the world stage," he said.

He said this at a ministry excellence and fitness programme at Stadium Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM) here.

Also present was Muda Agricultural Development Authority chairman, Datuk Othman Aziz, who is also Finance Deputy

Minister.

To this end, he urged ministry officials to take note and ensure that adequate funds would be set aside to realise the objective.

"While assisting farmers, breeders and fishermen, we also want to be a champion in sports and contribute to the country's succeeding generation of athletes aside from producing a sports culture-inclined workforce," he said. - Bernama



DEPUTY Minister Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry, Datuk Seri Tajuddin Abdul Rahman (centre) mingling with contingents during the ministry excellence and fitness programme at Stadium Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM) in Sintok. PHOTO: BERNAMA