

HETIFAH SJAIFUDIAN

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Indonesia

Hetifah is a member of parliament in the DPR-RI from the Golkar parliamentary faction, representing the electoral districts of East Kalimantan since 2009 and has just been re-elected for her third term (2019-2024). She currently holds the title of Deputy Chair in Commission X, responsible for education, youth, sports, tourism, and creative economy. Hetifah had previously served in Commission V for infrastructure and Commission II for domestic governance and electoral affairs. During that time, Hetifah was actively involved as a member of the Special Committee on Election Law 7/2017.

Hetifah graduated in Spatial Planning from the Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB). She obtained her master's degree in Public Policy from the National University of Singapore (NUS) and Ph.D. from Flinders University, Australia. In the national board of Golkar, she currently serves as the Head of the Women Empowerment Section and simultaneously Chair of KPPG, the women's wing organisation of Golkar. Hetifah is also the Chair of the Women's Movement of the MKGR civil organisation. In addition to that, she is also a presidium at KPP-RI (Indonesian Women's Parliamentary Caucus).

Hetifah originates from an activist background and has been actively involved in various campus organisations, social organisations, and NGOs. Her notable roles include being the Head of the ITB Spatial Planning Student Union and Alumni Organisation, Head of the Education Division in the Indonesian Women's Congress (KOWANI), and Head of Woman Engineers' Forum in the Indonesian Engineers Association. She was the founder of the AKATIGA Center for Social Analysis, the Society Initiative, and B-Trust Advisory Group.

It is frequent for Hetifah to feature as a motivator and facilitator for women's political participation and leadership. Hetifah has plenty of experience in being a consultant for various international organisations such as the World Bank, ADB, EU, CIDA, Ford Foundation, and so forth, primarily for issues in planning, budgeting, and governance. She has written a number of books, including Innovation, Participation, and Good Governance (published by Obor).

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