

Meet Chang Ming Youn - accountant turned commando

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“I want to serve my country.”

This was Chang Ming Youn’s empathic response when a senior officer asked what prompted him to join the army.

He was among those who completed the 12-week basic commando training.

In a video shared by the army, Chan, when quizzed by the officer, said he hails from Setapak, Kuala Lumpur, and holds a degree in accounting from **Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology (TAR UMT)**

The officer, Major General Adi Ridzwan Abdullah, who presented him with the green beret and dagger, remarked that it has been a long time since a Chinese Malaysian passed basic commando training.

“We have not had a Chinese for a long time,” he said, patting the soldier on the shoulder and telling him “well done”.

In an interview later, Chang, whose parents were present at the ceremony, said he was a member of the Askar Wataniah 515 reserve force.

The 25-year-old soldier said after learning about the elite commando unit, he decided to challenge himself to see if he could make the cut.

“I wanted to show myself that although I am from the reserve force, I too can become a commando.

“My aim is to continue serving as a commando and to enhance my knowledge, take up courses to hone my expertise and to continue serving as a commando for the rest of my life,” he added.

Accounting graduate passes commando training

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PETALING JAYA: Chan Ming Youn, 25, made history as the sole Chinese in his batch to successfully complete and pass the rigorous 12-week commando training course after a long time.

Graduating from the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Ranger Regiment (2 RRD), Chan, along with nine officers and 60 other members of various ranks, was awarded the prestigious green beret and commando knife during a ceremony at Betutu Laut Beach in Sungai Udang, Melaka, on April 28.

An accounting graduate from **Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology (TAR UMT)**, he was driven by interest in serving his country and initially joined the Territorial Army Regiment 515

His exposure to the commando unit during his service inspired him to take on the challenging commando training.

“When I served for the Regiment 515, I gained a little knowledge about the military. Then, I was introduced to the commando,” Chan said in a post from Malaysia Army News [Facebook page](#).

Despite his lack of prior experience, his determination to challenge himself was the driving force behind the decision to pursue commando training.

“I wanted to challenge myself. Although I have only served as Askar Wataniah, I too can become a commando,” he said.

He aims to continue expanding his knowledge through specialised courses and to uphold the highest standards of the elite unit.

“My goal is to keep serving the military as a commando, to expand my knowledge by attending special courses, for example. I hope I can continue to serve as a commando that is of quality and always takes care of the image (of the commando) until I die,” he expressed.

Meanwhile, Commander of the Special Operations Group (21 GGK) Major General Adi Ridzwan Abdullah in his speech reminded officers and commando members to always maintain the green beret as an image of professionalism and competent Special Forces Operator.

“Keep the dignity of this green beret from being tarnished with useless actions because it will later cost all the sacrifices of all those who have worked hard to get it.

“It is very unfortunate if the green beret that is worn has to be destitute due to misconduct such as disobeying instructions or committing acts contrary to service rules,” he said.

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KUALA LUMPUR: Second Lieutenant Chan Ming Youn's dream of becoming a commando finally came true.

Chan, 25, from the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Ranger Regiment, holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from **Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology (TAR UMT)**

He said he wanted to serve the country by joining the army.

"My goal is to continue serving as a commando and increase my knowledge by taking courses.

"I will uphold the good name of the commandos until the end of my life."

Recently, 69 students of the Commando Basic Course were awarded green berets at a parade, said a Facebook post of Berita Tentera Darat Malaysia.

The parade was held at Bertutu Laut Beach in Sungai Udang, Melaka, on April 18, and marked the end of their training.

Present was Major General Adi Ridzwan Abdullah, commander of the Special Operations Group.

Adi reminded his students to maintain the majesty of the green beret as an image of professional and competent special force operators.

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"It'll be unfortunate if wearers of the green beret are stripped of it due to misconduct, such as disobeying instructions or committing acts contrary to service rules."

Meanwhile, Chan was the only Chinese student who completed the 12-week training course.

He was a member of 515 Territorial Army Regiment and challenged himself to become a commando.

Netizens congratulated him for his achievement.

@Shed Md Safar said: "Respect wataniah. Most of those from wataniah are professionals, but deep down, we are soldiers."

@Mohd Ariffsaid said: "You are the best, sir! From Territorial to Regular, and now you are a green beret wearer."

TAR UMT STUDENT SOLE CHINESE CANDIDATE TO COMPLETE PULPAK BASIC COMMANDO COURSE



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In a video shared on Facebook by the Malaysian Army News, the Setapak native was conferred the Special Forces Green Beret and Commando Knife during the closing ceremony at PULPAK yesterday, by the Commander of the 21st Special Service Group (21 GGK) and Special Service Regiment chairman, Major General Adi Ridzwan Abdullah.

Reflecting on his achievement, Chan expressed that his interest in joining the commando training arose after participating in the Territorial Army programme, and he aimed to demonstrate that a Territorial Army serviceman could also become a commando.

The accounting student at Tunku Abdul Rahman University College mentioned that his membership in the 515th Regiment of the Territorial Army had also fueled his interest in gaining more military knowledge.

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21st Special Service Group (21 GGK) Commander cum Special Service Regiment chairman Major General Adi Ridzwan Abdullah (centre left) shakes the hand of Second Lieutenant Chan Ming Youn, 25 (centre right) after he completed the 12-week Basic Commando Course at the Special Warfare Training Centre (Pulpak) in Sungai Udang, Melaka, on April 29, 2024. — Picture via a video screenshot from FACEBOOK/BERITA TENTERA DARAT MALAYSIA

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