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S46 ACCUSES PAS OF TRYING TO SABOTAGE MALAY UNITY RALLY

KOTA BAHARU, Sept 30 (Bernama) -- The Kelantan Parti Melayu Semangat 46 (S46) has accused PAS of trying to sabotage the planned unity rally which S46 and Umno will hold here on Thursday.

It said PAS had resorted to various tactics of spreading false information like telling the people that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad would not attend the rally.

Kelantan S46 chairman Datuk Rozali Isohak said today that he had received reports that PAS had been spreading the false news that Dr Mahathir would only be sending his representative to the rally.

Rozali, the Deputy Menteri Besar, said the party had also received reports from as far as Terengganu that PAS had pasted posters bearing excerpts of his (Rozali's) and S46 President Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah's speeches which were used to show that they did not like Umno.

The posters had been put up by Kelantan PAS' Information and Dakwah Bureau, he said.

He said the party security unit reported that many of the unity rally posters had been torn down and replaced with PAS posters to publicise the "Amanat Tok Guru" (Tok Guru's message) rally, to be held at Stadium Sultan Muhammad on Friday night.

Rozali said the matter had been referred to the police.

But Kelantan Police Contingent's Public Order Department head DSP Mohamed Shakaruddin Che Mood said so far no report had been received.

He however said anyone committing such an offence was liable to prosecution under Section 427 of the Penal Code, which provides for two years maximum jail or fine or both. -- BERNAMA

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