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Not due to lobbying, says Abu Hassan

KLANG, Sun. - Datuk Abu Hassan Omar today said that he was appointed the Menteri Besar of Selangor on evaluation done by the Barisan Nasional leadership and not as speculated that it was due to his years of lobbying.

"I want it to be clear that I did not get the MB's post through lobbying but was appointed by the BN leaders after careful evaluation," he said at the opening of the Kapar Umno division delegates meeting at Dewan TNB in Kapar today.

Asked by reporters later as to whether he said it because of speculation and allegations that he got the position due to lobbying for many years, Abu Hassan said he merely wanted to make the people understand that he was evaluated and appointed by Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

"Now that I am meeting Umno leaders throughout the state, it is only proper that I give them the right picture."

Abu Hassan who is also the State Umno chairman said all the Umno division meetings which commenced since June 15 have "past the half-way mark".

He said by next week end, all the 17 Umno divisions in Selangor would have held their meetings.

"We have not had any adverse or negative reports from any of the Umno divisions except for the Ulu Selangor Youth wing."

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