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BIGGEST ISSUE WHETHER MALAYSIANS CAN DENY BN TWO-THIRD MAJORITY

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 20 (Bernama) -- The biggest issue in the next general election is whether Malaysians can create political history by denying the Barisan Nasional (BN) a two-third majority, DAP secretary-general Lim Kit Siang said today.

He said in a statement issued here that it is not whether Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad or Datuk Nik Aziz Nik Mat is going to be prime minister.

Lim said that if Malaysians can manage this breakthrough, it will serve as a severe warning to BN leaders.

He was commenting on MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik's statement yesterday that he was confident the BN has the support of 99 per cent of the Chinese in the next general election.

Dr Ling also warned Chinese voters that everyone has only one vote and they cannot afford to make two choices or they may end up having Nik Aziz as the prime minister implementing PAS' Islamic state.

Lim said that it is clear the MCA and BN think their trump card in the election is to make the voters believe it is to decide whether Dr Mahathir or Nik Aziz becomes the prime minister and whether Malaysia is to become an Islamic state.

"I agree that if MCA and BN can make the voters believe that these are the two greatest issues in the next general election, Dr Ling will not be far off the mark if he said the overwhelming majority of the Malaysian Chinese voters will support the BN," he said.

If the statement is correct, he said, then the DAP will fare even worse than the 1995 general election when its 20 parliamentary and 46 state seats were slashed to nine parliamentary and 11 state seats.

"In fact, the DAP will be facing the prospect of being completely wiped out in parliament and the various state seats...," he added.

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