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Nomination-Kubang Pasu

DR MAHATHIR CHALLENGED BY PAS' SUBKY IN KUBANG PASU

ALOR SETAR, Nov 20 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is challenged by PAS committee member Subky Latif in the Kubang Pasu parliamentary constituency.

Kubang Pasu Returning Officer Datuk Ahmad Farouk Che Ibrahim announced their candidacies at the nomination centre at the Kubang Pasu district office at 1.10pm.

Subky, a columnist, is attempting to undermine the position of Dr Mahathir, who is Umno president and Barisan Nasional (BN) chairman, in Kubang Pasu, held by him in 1974.

It has been predicted that Dr Mahathir will face a straight fight and it was thought that his opponent will be PAS' Datuk Prof Harun Din.

Harun was later said to be nominated by PAS to contest the Tambun Tulang state seat in Perlis. However, PAS today fielded Ismail Ahmad to challenge Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim in the constituency.

Dr Mahathir, who is Kubang Pasu Umno division head, obtained a majority of 17,226 votes in the last general election, defeating PAS' Ahmad Mohamed Alim who only obtained 7,269 votes.

The Kubang Pasu parliamentary constituency has 47,355 voters -- 39,643 Malays, 5,124 Chinese, 2,109 Indians and the rest other races.

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