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KEADILAN CONTESTING FIVE SEATS IN KELANTAN

KOTA BAHARU, Nov 18 (Bernama) -- Parti Keadilan Nasional today confirmed that it is contesting three parliamentary and two state seats in Kelantan.

Tumpat Keadilan chief Saupi Daud said state Keadilan chairman Mohamad Mustapha, national treasurer Ramli Ibrahim and himself would be contesting the Peringat, Kota Baharu and Tanah Merah parliamentary seats respectively.

The two candidates for state seats are Zulkifli Mohamad (Galas) and Nik Aziz Nik Hassan (Paloh), both in the Gua Musang parliamentary constituency, he told Bernama, here.

Saupi contested the Pasir Pekan state seat as a Barisan Nasional candidate but lost to PAS' Ahmad Yakub in the 1995 general election.

All the Keadilan and PAS candidates in Kelantan received their letters to contest at Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat 's residence, here, today. However, Nik Aziz, who is also Kelantan PAS commissioner, is only expected to announce the candidates tomorrow night.

Kelantan has 43 state and 14 parliamentary seats.

Meanwhile, Kelantan Umno liaison chief Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah said the final list of Barisan Nasional's (BN) candidates for the state had yet to be known.

"I have submitted all the names of candidates proposed by the Umno divisions in Kelantan to the BN chairman (Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) but the final decision has yet to be known," he said.

He said that based on the proposed list, all the incumbent MPs including ministers were retained in their respective constituencies.

Several women candidates had also been proposed, he said.

Tengku Razaleigh is expected to defend his Gua Musang parliamentary seat.

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