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Pas confident of denying Barisan Nasional a two-thirds majority

PETALING JAYA, Fri. - Pas vice-president Mustafa Ali said today it was difficult for the Alternative Front to form the next government, but was confident it could deny the Barisan Nasional the two-thirds majority.

"Not giving the BN a two-thirds majority is already a victory for us," he told a Press conference.

He also announced that Pas supreme council member Subky Latiff would contest against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for the Kubang Pasu parliamentary seat.

Mustafa said another Pas member Datuk Dr Harun Din, who earlier said he would likely stand in Kubang Pasu, would be fielded elsewhere.

"We are confident of Subky's ability," he said, when asked why Subky was selected to fight Dr Mahathir.

Dr Mahathir defeated Ahmad Ma'alim of Pas with a thumping majority of 17,226 votes in 1995.

Mustafa said Pas was concentrating on Terengganu, Kedah and Perlis.

The party, he said, was contesting 59 parliamentary seats, including Labuan. It is negotiating to field a candidate each in Sabah and Sarawak.

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