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SABAH BN VICTORY AN INDICATION OF VOTERS' MATURITY

KUCHING, March 14 (Bernama) -- The Sarawak Barisan Nasional (BN) today welcomed the victory of its Sabah counterpart in the just-concluded state election as it indicates the voters' maturity.

Sarawak Deputy Chief Minister Tan Sri Alfred Jabu said the BN victory also showed an increased political understanding among the Sabahans of the BN's philosophy of peace, prosperity and development.

"Such an understanding would augur well for the development of the country in the next millennium" he said.

Jabu who is also a deputy president of Parti Pesaka Bumiputera Bersatu (PBB) was asked to comment on the election results in which the BN won 31 out of the 48 seats contested.

Meanwhile, Sarawak United People's Party (SUPP) secretary-general Sim Kheng Hui said the victory showed the people's confidence in Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's leadership.

With the victory and a stable government, Sabah could now expect an accelerated pace of development, said Sim who is state Assistant Minister for Industrial Development.

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