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SPECIAL ELECTION MANIFESTO FOR KELANTAN

GUA MUSANG, Aug 2 (Bernama) -- Kelantan Umno is drawing up a special manifesto for the upcoming general election aimed at boosting the people's economic and social status, its chief Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah said today.

Themed "Development For The People", he said the manifesto would prove to the people in Kelantan that the federal government had its own vision to carry out development programmes in the state that would benefit them in the long run.

"We want to ensure that Kelantan does not remain backward but enjoy development like other states," he told reporters, here.

He said the people could assess for themselves PAS' style of governance since 1990 with no significant change in their living standards and lack of infrastructure development.

He expressed confidence that with the Barisan Nasional (BN) at the helm of the state administration, investors, who were reluctant to invest in the state due to administrative weaknesses, would come forward to invest in various sectors.

Tengku Razaleigh said the BN government could turn Kelantan into an investment hub as investors have begun to show interest in the state.

" In fact, investors and corporate figures are meeting me on Aug 10 to discuss how they could help to develop Kelantan," he said.

In this regard, the people should help the BN government to realise its objectives and to prevent a repeat of the sluggish situation in the state following PAS leaders weak administration.

He, however, said there were positive changes among the people including their acceptance of the development projects to be carried out by the federal government.

He said their clear support to the federal government could be seen during Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's visit to Kelantan recently.

"Many people without being invited lined up both sides of the road with high spirit to welcome Dr Mahathir...this had never happen before and I think there is an attitudinal change among the Kelantan people," he said.

Earlier, Tengku Razaleigh, who is also Gua Musang MP, attended an Orang Asli handicraft and cultural exhibition opened by the Raja Perempuan of Kelantan.

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