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UNIVERSITY IN KELANTAN IF BN WINS, SAYS TENGKU RAZALEIGH

KOTA BAHARU, Nov 2 (Bernama) -- A university will be built in Kelantan if the Barisan Nasional (BN) forms the next state government, said State Umno liaison committee chairman Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

Tengku Razaleigh said he has met and obtained the agreement of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad a month ago concerning the university proposal.

"We have even given it the name Universiti Darul Naim, to offer management and technology courses," he said here today.

He said the university is expected to be built on a 280ha site in Tangok, Bachok and to cost between RM800 million and RM1 billion.

He called on the people in Kelantan to help ensure a BN victory in the coming general election for the proposal to become reality.

Tengku Razaleigh said the Federal government, being serious about the proposal, has agreed to make the Kota Baharu Teachers Training College a temporary campus for the university.

The university's permanent campus is expected to take three years to complete.

"The university can be opened immediately with a first intake of 700 students," he said.

On Kelantan Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat keeping silent on the manifesto of the four-party opposition pact in the so called Barisan Alternatif, Tengku Razaleigh said the PAS leader was trying to dodge the issue in order to hang on to his post.

He said Nik Aziz should have announced that he (Nik Aziz) would not stand in the coming general election in line with what the opposition had agreed to in the manifesto.

In the manifesto, the opposition pact agreed to limit the holding of office for Prime Minister, Menteri Besar and Chief Minister to two terms of the general election only.

"Even if he wants to continue it is of no consequence to me, except that he would be lying and that the election promises of the opposition pact is nothing but a fib," he said.

On the stated intention of some people to disclose the wrongdoings of former deputy prime minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim when he was in office, Tengku Razaleigh said such disclosures were appropriate in order to get rid of money politics.

Tengku Razaleigh had earlier opened a "Program Rakaniaga Perdana PC Suria" seminar.

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