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Kubang Pasu division nominations

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. - The Kubang Pasu Umno division yesterday nominated incumbents Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and Tan Sri Muhammad Muhammad Taib and Pagoh Umno chief Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin for the vice-presidency.

Najib obtained 173 votes, Muhammad 171 and Muhyiddin, 159. There were 378 delegates from 122 branches.

The nominations of the party's three highest positions and 25 members of the supreme council were done by secret ballots.

It was the first time the Kubang Pasu division nominated those for the posts of president, deputy and vice-presidents since 1981, the year Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, became the Prime Minister.

The move to submit nominations yesterday followed a supreme council's decision early this month that all 165 divisions must submit nominations for all posts.

Kubang Pasu had abstained from doing so in the past because it did not want anyone to think that those it nominated were on the directive of Dr Mahathir.

Meanwhile, the Kota Baru, Kubang Kerian, Pengkalan Chepa and Tumpat Umno divisions in Kelantan today nominated Dr Mahathir and Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi for the posts of president and deputy president respectively.

Kota Baru nominated incumbent Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, Johor Umno chief Datuk Abdul Ghani Othman and Kelantan Umno chief Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah for the posts of vice-presidents.

Kubang Kerian nominated Najib, Tengku Razaleigh and Sabah party chief Datuk Seri Osu Sukam for vice-presidency. Pengkalan Chepa nominated Najib, Abdul Ghani and incumbent Muhammad Muhd Taib for the same posts. Tumpat nominated Tengku Razaleigh, Najib and Selangor party chairman Datuk Seri Abu Hassan Omar for the posts.

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