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LDP wants rotation of post continued

KUNDASANG, Sun. - The Liberal Democratic Party wants the rotation of the Sabah Chief Minister's post to be continued as it is in accordance with the Barisan Nasional manifesto in the State election in March last year.

Its president, Datuk Chong Kah Kiat, said the party had made the stand in line with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's statement on the rotation of the post.

"One of the promises in the BN election manifesto was to continue the rotation of the Chief Minister's post," Chong told a Press conference after opening the LDP's 11th annual congress at Kinabalu National Park Multi-Purpose Hall today.

He said the post was not for personal gain and whoever chosen for the job must carry it out in the interest of the BN Government and the people.

Chong, who is also State Tourism Development, Environment, Science and Technology Minister, said the LDP, despite being one of the two oldest BN component parties in Sabah, had taken a low profile on the rotation issue.

The other party is Angkatan Keadilan Rakyat.

He said delegates to the party's congress would deliberate instead on the issue of safety and security in the country.

"When I came back to Sabah from my Federal post, I had said I was not interested in making any claim to the Chief Minister's post," he said, adding that delegates would not even discuss the rotation issue.

He also said the LDP now had 21 divisions with 60,000 members.

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