

Win 'proof of support for govt policies'

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BENTONG: Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Adnan Yaakob said the win in the Ketari by-election was a present from the people to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He said it was a tribute to Dr Mahathir who has been proven right in his methods and approaches in steering the nation out of many crises.

Adnan said the victory has silenced those who were critical of the Prime Minister's

prescriptions and remedies for the nation's ills.

"The impressive victory shows that the people truly support the government's core policies," Adnan told reporters after meeting the media that covered the by-election.

Adnan, who is also the Ketari Barisan Nasional election director, said:

"The brilliant victory was due to the collective effort of Barisan election machinery workers who worked tirelessly. No one could claim that they were solely responsible

for the win."

But he singled out Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi and MCA deputy president Datuk Lim Ah Lek for their immense contributions.

Earlier, the Barisan's Yum Ah Ha, 51, who polled 7,153 votes against the DAP's Choong Siew Onn's 4,949 to win by a 2,204 majority, thanked voters.

He said the huge win would not have been possible without the support of the voters and Barisan election workers.