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DPM: People are able to judge Pas and its leaders

PUTRAJAYA, Fri. - Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi said today that the people will be able to judge for themselves what Pas and its leaders are made of.

"That is their style, they want to inculcate hatred against the Government, Dr Mahathir, me and other leaders.

"There seems to be no limit to what they want to say, hurling abusive remarks. Actually this clearly reflects their personality.

"Let the rakyat especially those in Kelantan and Terengganu watch and see what kind of leaders they have there," he said.

Abdullah was asked to comment on attacks levelled at him by Pas, as aired by Radio Televisyen Malaysia (RTM) in the past week.

He added that so far the opposition party which claims to be championing the cause of Islam had never done anything for Islam or for Malaysians, apart from hurling abuses and using foul language.

Abdullah, who is Umno deputy president, said that all this while the opposition party had also not stated what they would be doing if they were able to rule.

"So they are not confident of ruling the country. They just want to condemn others all the while, that's all they can and want to do," he said, adding that both Kelantan and Terengganu were in a sorry state under Pas rule.

Asked if he was against RTM airing the opposition's "foul language" video-clips, Abdullah said he was sure that RTM knew what it was doing.

"But I feel that the people should be allowed to judge. Maybe they want to know exactly what the opposition is saying or writing. Let the people have access to this so that they can evaluate their (Pas leaders) leadership, personality and the way they apply politics.

"The rakyat are not naive, they are intelligent enough to choose what is good for their future," he said.

On preparations for the Pendang parliamentary and Anak Bukit State by-elections on July 18, Abdullah said that everything was moving well to ensure Barisan Nasional a victory.

"The most vital part is for all BN component parties to move as one single force. Within Umno, all the activities and planning must ensure the participation of all ... the Youth, Wanita and Puteri," he said.