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RTM doing the party a big favour, says Pas

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Pas today welcomed RTM's decision to continue airing video clips on the party's ceramah as it believes the move will help popularise its leaders.

Pas information chief Azizan Abdul Razak said RTM was doing a big favour to less prominent Pas leaders like Bunyamin Yaacob, who was only known in Kelantan.

"Now the TV station wants to help promote another Pas leader from Kelantan, Razak Abas, and we welcome the move," he said.

Yesterday, Information Ministry Parliamentary Secretary Datuk Zainuddin Maidin said RTM would air a video clip on Razak who is facing a court case for allegedly exposing himself to a Puteri Umno member in Anak Bukit during the recent by-election.

Razak, who was the candidate for Pas in the Gua Musang parliamentary seat in the 1999 general election, had pleaded not guilty to the charge and has been released on bail.

RTM has been airing a video clip carrying parts of speeches made by Pas spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat and Bunyamin since a week ago.

The video clip showed Nik Aziz referring to Allah as samseng (thug) and Bunyamin telling a large audience that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad had watched a pornographic video with his grandchildren.

Azizan said although the video clips produced by RTM were to Pas' advantage, the TV station's intention to put Pas in bad light was clear.