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SALLEH: TAKE STOCK OF PM'S ADVICE ON GENERAL ELECTION

KOTA KINABALU, June 26 (Bernama) -- Sabah Umno deputy liaison chief Datuk Salleh Tun Said today urged party members to take stock of what Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said about giving priority to the party instead of individuals, especially on candidates for the next general election.

He said Dr Mahathir's advice to party members on Wednesday to accept the leadership's choice of candidates was timely and appropriate.

He said there were many capable Umno leaders in Sabah who could be given the opportunity to contest in the election.

"Personally, I feel that it is better for Umno in Sabah to consider fielding one candidate for one seat...either state or parliament," said Salleh who is Kota Belud Member of Parliament and also the state assemblyman for Usukan.

Salleh, who is state Local Government and Housing Minister, said that besides giving the opportunity for others to be fielded as candidates, it was also for practical purposes as it would enable the elected representative to concentrate on a particular area.

"For me, if I'm given the opportunity to contest again in the election, I will let the leadership decide whether it will be state or parliament," he said.

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