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DR MAHATHIR SAD OVER PAS'MOVE TO LINK CHILD'S DEATH TO HUDUD

ALOR STAR, Jan 31 (Bernama) -- Former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today he was saddened by the PAS move to link the rape and murder of a 10-year-old child of a Johor Umno branch head to Umno's rejection of the PAS's Hudud Law.

It was most unbecoming of them to play politics over such a sad event which had brought much anguish to the people particularly their parents, he said when launching the Kedah Barisan Nasional election machinery here. Dr Mahathir has been appointed Election Adviser to the Kedah Barisan Nasional.

To say that the rape and murder of little Nurul Huda was divine punishment because her father who was an Umno official had opposed the PAS

Hudud was most absurd "and I am very much saddened by this."

"To PAS everything is a political issue, which can be played around...this is PAS," he said.

Urging the people to reject PAS in the General Election, Dr Mahathir said it was the responsibility of Umno to explain the real issue to PAS followers and challenge them if it was indeed true that the rape case was because of the failure to follow the PAS Criminal Enactment.

"We want to know why there are floods in Kelantan? Is it because PAS has distorted the religion of Allah, distorted the laws of God and introduced instead its own criminal laws which can be amended now and then."

"So all the tragedies occurring in Kelantan and Terengganu such as father raping daughter and so on are because of PAS'S rule which is totally repugnant...this is divine retribution on PAS and many other disasters will follow," Dr Mahathir said.

The people should have no fear over the PAS's claims, all of which were baseless, he said.

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