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`Dr Mahathir's statement on loyalty of Pas members apt'

ALOR STAR, Mon. - Pas said today that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was apt in his remarks recently on the unwavering loyalty of the Pas members and supporters.

However, the party dismissed the claim that their members were brain-washed into giving their allegiance, saying that their support came from their belief in the party's ideology and policies.

Pas information chief and State party commissioner Azizan Abdul Razak said Dr Mahathir's remarks were "his heart-felt and sincere belief of the party's strength and power".

He said this when asked to comment on the Prime Minister's remarks at the 54th Umno general assembly.

Azizan said the party was not worried about criticism against Pas at the assembly as they would not have any effect on the party's popularity.