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Flag war between Umno, Pas begins in Kelantan

KOTA BARU, Sun. - In an early campaign to win the hearts and minds of the people, Pas and Umno have begun flying their flags.

They are not wasting their time. Fluttering from atop poles and trees, the moon of Pas and the dual keris of Umno are telling the Kelantan people that the battle for their support is on.

Pas, which is ruling the State, started flying giant flags in Kota Baru during Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's visit to Kelantan early this year and more have been put up since. Umno swiftly followed. Kelantan Umno liaison chief Datuk Mustapa Mohamed said from next week, the State Umno would be giving away five party and Barisan Nasional flags to each division.

"We hope it will raise the spirit of party members in Kelantan," he said after opening the State Youth nine-a-side football competition at the Universiti Sains Malaysia here last night.