

PAS leaders to take part in June 15 'Black 505' rally

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PAS has decided to join the Pakatan Rakyat's 'Black 505' rally that will be held on June 15, its deputy president Mohamad Sabu said today.

Senior PAS leaders unanimously decided to take part in the rally during their monthly meeting this morning, he said.

NONE Among others, the rally is planned as a climax to a series of rallies protesting alleged electoral fraud during the May 5 general election.

"Yes, we will be there. During the meeting just now, everyone has agreed to participate," Mohamad told reporters after the meeting at the PAS headquarters in Kuala Lumpur.

His statement puts to rest questions as to whether the Islamic party would join the rally, after PAS Dewan Ulama chief Harun Taib was reported to have said the party accepted the election results and would not voluntarily hold or participate in protest rallies.

Harun was quoted as saying that the party would instead focus on preparations for the next general election.

PAS to probe clash with PKR

Meanwhile, the party also announced that it will form a committee to conduct investigations on the party's shortcomings during the recently concluded general election.

PAS won 23 Parliamentary seats, down two from its previous outing. Although this was not a dramatic loss, the party did suffer significant losses in Kedah but made up for it in other states.

The committee's deputy chairperson Dzulkefly Ahmad said the committee will conduct an in-depth investigation, such as on PAS involvement in multi-cornered contests in seven seats, involving Pakatan allies PKR.

"We will investigate like the Royal Commission of Inquiry. We will have focus groups. We have until October to complete our report," he said.

According to the committee's chairperson Salahuddin Ayub said the committee will rope in NGOs, academicians and other experts to help them draw a conclusion.

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