

## **MP: Majority of Malays voted against BN in GE13**

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PARLIAMENT The majority of Malays who turned out to vote at the 13th general election actually voted against BN, DAP's Raub MP Ariff Sabri Abdul Aziz claimed today.

Speaking in the Dewan Rakyat while debating the Royal Address, Ariff, who is one of only two Malay MPs from DAP this term, said that 7.3 million Malays turned up to vote during the elections.

"Umno and BN obtained 3.4 million Malay votes. That means 3.9 million Malays had rejected BN," he said.

He said that out of 3.4 million Malay votes that Umno had obtained, 3.2 million of the votes came from Umno members themselves - because Umno has 3.2 million members.

"Those who are making noise about Malay this, Malay that, on what authority are they championing Malays? The majority of Malays are not even with you," he said.

NONE Ariff Sabri (left) said that BN and Umno had only championed the cause of the elite Malays and had not managed to solve basic problems such as poverty and welfare of rural Malays.

He also admitted that DAP needs to win more Malay support in order win more seats during elections.

"We in DAP admit this. Once the percentage of Malay voters reduce, our chances of winning also reduces. The lesson here is, we will only win and succeed if we manage to increase the confidence on our party among the Malays," he said.

"We (in DAP) do not want to fight with the Malays. We want more Malays to join DAP. We are not an enemy for the Malays, we are not an enemy for the rulers, and we are not an enemy to the federal constitution," he added.

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