

PKR's direct election process starts tomorrow
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Ten PKR divisions will submit nominations for their division leaders tomorrow, starting off the process to select party leaders in country's first ever direct elections.

Five divisions from Kelantan, namely Tumpat, Pengkalan Chepa and Kota Baru as well as Pasir Mas and Rantau Panjang, will submit nominations for 18 division-level positions - the chairperson, deputy chairperson and vice-chairperson as well as 15 committee members.

Five divisions from Kedah - Langkawi, Kubang Pasu, Pokok Sena , Alor Star and Kuala Kedah will also make their nominations.

pkr parti keadilan rakyat About 400,000 party members in 205 divisions will be taking part, and each division will have a day set aside to nominate their candidates from tomorrow to Sept 12.

The nomination period will be from 10am to 4pm and those interested in contesting will have to submit a nomination form which has two other members as proposer and seconder.

"It (the election process) will be like nomination day for the general election," said an election coordinator who declined to be named.

At the end of the day, the names will be submitted to the central election committee which will have to publish the names of the nominees within one week from the nomination day.

A three-day objection period and a four-day period to process the objections has been allocated, before the final list is prepared.

The members will then vote on the day of the division's annual general meeting (AGM).

They will also vote for 10 positions for the women's wing and 20 positions for the youth wing.

At the respective AGMs, members will then be nominating candidates for the party's supreme council, which includes the president, deputy president and four vice-presidents, as well as 20 committee members.

Nominations for these key posts will close on Oct 10. To qualify, potential candidates must be nominated by at least two divisions.

PKR's 2010 national congress will be held from Nov 26 until 28 where a new line-up of party leaders are expected to guide the party to the next general election.

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