

**DAP Not In Favour Of Elections This Year**  
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KUALA LUMPUR -- The DAP said on Tuesday it was not in favour of holding concurrent elections in the states held by the opposition pact in the event the next general election was called this year.

Party secretary-general Lim Guan Eng said the party's central executive committee (CEC), at its meeting last night, agreed that the party preferred that all the four opposition-held states - Penang, Selangor, Kedah and Kelantan complete their full five-year term.

The last general election was held on March 8, 2008.

"However, if the polls are called next year, then we would likely agree to hold concurrent elections," he told reporters.

However, Lim said, the party's decision was still subject to further discussion among the opposition-pact parties as the DAP only controlled Penang while Selangor was led by Parti Keadilan Rakyat (PKR) and Kelantan and Kedah, by PAS.

Lim said should the polls be held later, it would place the opposition pact in a better position to recapture Perak.

He also said that the CEC meeting agreed to endorse Perak DAP's stand to support the reappointment of PAS leader Mohammad Nizar Jamaluddin as the Perak menteri besar should the opposition pact recapture the state in the next general election.

However, a recent opinion poll showed that the pact would only win 33 of the 59 seats in the state assembly if an election was called now as compared to a similar poll conducted in 2009 which showed that the pact would have won 40 seats then.

Meanwhile, DAP also launched a Bahasa Malaysia portal, Raketkini.com, to reach out to the Malay-speaking population.

Lim, who launched the portal, said the website would carry news articles to promote the party as well as to change the perception that the party was anti-Malay.

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