

Parties to discuss seat allocations

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KOTA BARU: Pas and its opposition ally Parti Keadilan Rakyat are ready to discuss seat allocations for the next general election.

Pas election director Datuk Mustafa Ali said a meeting could be held this month.

"PKR has agreed that we meet to discuss the allocation of seats and we will work towards it," he said.

Pas expects the general election to be called between September this year and March next year.

The party has asked its state liaison committees to propose candidates to the party headquarters and some have already done so.

Mustafa said PKR vice-president Azmin Ali had agreed that the two parties discuss

how seats were to be divided as early as next week.

Pas president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang said the party would send a delegation to the Election Commission to discuss the use of indelible ink as a safeguard against multiple or phantom voting.

"We will send a delegation after we receive an official letter on the matter.

"For now, we accept the decision in principle but we still do not know the details," he said during a break at the muktamar proceeding.

EC chairman Tan Sri Abdul Rashid Abdul Rahman had said that the use of the indelible ink was agreed to in principle, following requests by political parties and other groups.