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# 'PKR won't forget what Dr M did to Anwar'

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**SUNGAI BESAR:** PKR has not forgotten what Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad did to opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim in 1999, despite its alliance against the government.

PKR vice-president Nurul Izzah Anwar said although the party welcomed those who wished to join its cause, it would not turn a blind eye to what had transpired between Dr Mahathir and Anwar.

Dr Mahathir had sacked Anwar as deputy prime minister in 1998, following allegations of corruption and sodomy.

Nurul Izzah clarified that it was Dr Mahathir who was dependent on the opposition's support to oust

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

"It is him (Dr Mahathir) who wanted to lend us his support, and not the other way around," she said at a press conference.

The Lembah Pantai member of parliament suggested that unlike Dr Mahathir, the opposition strove to be a constructive bloc when airing criticisms.

"It was Dr Mahathir who went about criticising Malaysia Development Bhd. But we (the opposition) are the one providing solutions to move on."

Dr Mahathir was present in Sungai Besar and Kuala Kangsar to throw his support for the Parti Amanah

Negara (PAN) by-election candidate.

On a separate matter, Nurul Izzah dismissed claims relating to PKR deputy president Datuk Seri Azmin Ali's conspicuous absence from campaigning for PAN's Sungai Besar parliamentary seat by-election candidate, Azhar Abdul Shukur.

She said Azmin, who is also Selangor menteri besar, had to accompany the sultan of Selangor in the ruler's daily programmes.

PAN strategic director Dr Dzulkafly Ahmad, who was also at the press conference, said Azmin was expected to arrive in Sungai Besar tomorrow.