

Pagoh, Gambir folks excited to welcome their rep-cum-PM

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TANGKAK: Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin has on countless occasions returned to his constituencies of Pagoh and Gambir, having served as the member of parliament and state assemblyman of the areas for decades.

Yesterday's visit, however, was a markedly different one for the 73-year-old as it was the first time he was returning as the prime minister.

This was also his first visit to his constituencies after more than three months due to the Movement Control Order (MCO) and interstate travel restrictions, which were lifted recently.

Muhyiddin, who was accompanied by his wife, Puan Sri Noorainee Abdul Rahman, spent the day attending a series of events in both constituencies.

He started the day by visiting De Muara Enterprise in Bukit Gambir, which manufactures spice pastes. Muhyiddin and his wife spent about 30 minutes at its manufacturing facility.

He then attended a meet-the-people session at Dewan Serbaguna Bukit Gambir, where the number of guests was limited due to the standard operating procedures (SOP) in place.

Guests had to register their attendance and had their body temperatures scanned before they were allowed into the hall. Seats were separated to ensure social distancing requirements were met.



Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin visiting De Muara Enterprise's manufacturing facility in Bukit Gambir, Tangkak. On his left is his wife, Puan Sri Noorainee Abdul Rahman.

Despite the strict regulations, the guests were enthusiastic in welcoming home their elected representative.

At the Pagoh Sports Complex, well-wishers were also limited to 250 people. Present were representatives of the constituency's Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia Armada and Srikandi wings.

One of the guests, Senah Ismail from Bukit Pasir, was excited by Muhyiddin's return.

"We are proud to have our own Pagoh assemblyman as prime minister. He has demonstrated his capability after his first 70 days in office," she said.

Muhyiddin was equally excited to meet the people. In his speech in Bukit Gambir, he said he had always prayed for the opportunity to return to Gambir and Pagoh.

"I am happy to be back here and meet with the people. Although

we have to follow the SOP and we can't do the things we usually do like shake hands, it is still good to meet with the people."

He then inspected the construction of Masjid Haji Mohd Yassin, which is named after his father, in Pagoh. The mosque is expected to open in September.

He ended the day with another meet-the-people session at Dewan Institut Kemahiran Tinggi Belia Negara Pagoh.