

I have not been summoned, says Muhyiddin

'Under the Constitution, if a premier lacks support, he will be informed'

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TAMBUNAN: Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin continues to dismiss Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's claim that he has the numbers to be the new prime minister.

Saying that he was not too worried because he had yet to hear the news from the King, Muhyiddin vowed to continue to shoulder his responsibilities as the Prime Minister.

"So far, I haven't been summoned so I don't need to react hastily to such things," he told a ceramah here yesterday, a day before the state election.

But even if it did come to that, Muhyiddin said he could either step down or, with the King's consent, dissolve Parliament and call for election.

Muhyiddin stressed that he was still constitutionally the Prime Minister and was acting in accordance with what was stated in the Federal Constitution.

He said he had also brought up the matter with Attorney General Tan Sri Idrus Harun, who confirmed that he was still the Prime Minister.

Muhyiddin said he was not power-crazy

and would accept the end of his term as God's plan for him.

"If it's God's will for my term to end, so be it.

"As a Muslim, I believe we can only plan and God will decide and every religion also holds the same belief.

"In the meantime, I want to continue shouldering my responsibilities as the Prime Minister until I can't anymore," he said, adding that he had done a lot in his seven months as premier.

He noted that under the Federal Constitution, if Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah had been given strong evidence that the current premier did not have majority support from the members of parliament, he would be summoned and told about it.

On Wednesday, the PKR president claimed that he had secured a strong majority to form a new government but stopped short of revealing the exact number or names of the MPs supporting him pending an audience with the King.

Sultan Abdullah is undergoing treatment at the National Heart Institute after complaining of being unwell on Tuesday.