

PACKED SCHEDULE

ISMAIL SABRI GIVES BN A BOOST WITH VISIT

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Umno veeep makes stops in several areas to help coalition's election machinery

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ONE week into the Melaka election campaign, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob's visit to the state has giv-

en a much-needed boost to the Barisan Nasional team.

In his first visit to the state since the campaign began on Nov 8, Ismail Sabri juggled a packed half-day schedule, which saw him visiting areas in the state to help the coalition's election machinery.

The Umno vice-president made stops in Telok Mas, Sungai Udang, Lendu, Jasin, Asahan, and the coalition's command centre in Ayer Keroh as part of his whirlwind visit.

His first stop was at Kampung Alai for breakfast, where he spent time with the local vendors there.

Clad in a blue BN button-down



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob handing over an offer letter from Bukit Beruang Community College to Muhammad Daniel Hakime, who is the son of the late fireman Mohd Diya Che Jusoh, in Batu Berendam, Melaka yesterday. BERNAMA PIC

shirt, Ismail Sabri took to Instagram to share and recommend the *sambal kerang* and *paru* at the stall he visited.

In Batu Berendam, Ismail Sabri visited the family of the late fireman, Mohd Diya Che Jusoh, who drowned during a rescue operation at Sungai Putat in the Ayer Keroh flood incident last month.

The Bera member of parliament presented an offer letter to Diya's eldest son, Muhammad Daniel Hakime, 18, to further his

studies at the Bukit Beruang Community College.

Diya's widow, Noraida Che Noh, 39, expressed her gratitude over the offer letter as it would help Daniel's ambition to further his studies in the automotive field.

"I am so grateful because the prime minister visited us to hand the offer letter.

"I am also thankful to the college for giving my son an opportunity (to study there). It was my

late husband's wish to see our son further his studies," she said.

Daniel also shared his gratitude for being given a chance to continue his studies in a field that he is passionate about.

Throughout Ismail Sabri's visit, he spoke only to the candidates and locals, despite the media presence.

The Election Commission's guidelines on the election state that press conferences can be held only after party meetings.