

Johan Muhyiddin shouldn't gloat

KUALA LUMPUR: Umno vice-president Datuk Seri Johari Abdul Ghani yesterday chided Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin for claiming that Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia, not Umno, now represents the voice of the Malays.

He reminded Muhyiddin, who is Perikatan Nasional chairman, that PN's good outing in the state elections was largely due to Pas, not Bersatu.

"You said Umno is no longer relevant. Ask yourself, which party in your coalition (PN) won the most seats in the state elections?"

"Most seats were won by Pas, not Bersatu. Bersatu was defeated in 40 out of the 79 seats it contested.

"During the Melaka and Johor state elections, you (Bersatu) were defeated, too.

"There are ups and down in politics and it is normal. So let's not pressure others.

"Although you won, it doesn't mean you can form the government. It's 3-3," he said, referring to the outcome of the state elections on Saturday.

Johari said this after handing over cash aid to B40 students from public and private higher learning institutions in his Titiwangsa parliamentary constituency.

A total of 100 tertiary students received RM1,000 each. To date, some 200 tertiary students have received the cash aid.

On Saturday night, Muhyiddin said PN's success in retaining Kelantan, Terengganu and Kedah and securing several state seats in Selangor, Penang and Negri Sembilan underscored the Malay voters' support for the coalition.