

**'NORMAL DISCUSSION'**

# Nik Omar downplays meeting with Nik Abduh and Anwar

**KOTA BARU:** Nik Omar Nik Aziz has downplayed the significance of a meeting between him, his brother Nik Mohamad Abduh and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim on Friday.

Nik Omar, the son of late Pas spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat, said the meeting at a hotel here was to discuss federal allocations for Kelantan.

"It was more of a Hari Raya Aidilfitri meeting and to discuss federal allocations for the state."

Nik Omar said the short meeting was held before Anwar attended the Malaysia Madani Hari Raya Aidilfitri open house the same night.

"It was a normal discussion. We discussed several issues related to the Hari Raya celebration."

Asked if they discussed Nik Abduh's possible entry into Pakatan Harapan (PH), Nik Omar replied in the negative.

"That wasn't discussed. It's best that you ask Nik Abduh."

Pictures of the meeting at Hotel Perdana here, have sparked much speculation since Friday when they were shared on social media by independent preacher Wan Ji Wan Hussin, who was present at the meeting.

Anwar's wife, Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, was also present.

The pictures sparked a many questions, as both Nik Omar and Nik Abduh have different political leanings.

Speculation is mounting over the possibility of Nik Abduh joining PH after he was not fielded by Pas as a candidate in the 15th General Elec-

tion. The Bachok parliamentary seat he had contested was instead assigned to Muhamad Shahir Che Sulaiman.

Nik Omar has stood for election under the PH banner but has not won a seat. In 2018, he ran for the Chempaka state seat in Kelantan, and the Pasir Salak parliamentary seat in 2022.



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