

Recognise PAS Mosques To Resolve two Prayers Issue - BN Assemblyman
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BESUT, Dec 18 (Bernama) -- A Terengganu Barisan Nasional assemblyman has proposed that the state religious affairs department accord recognition to mosques used by PAS members and supporters for their Friday prayers.

Nawi Mohamad, the assemblyman for Hulu Besut, said this would help avert the issue of two prayers at one congregation on Fridays in the state.

"All kinds of ways, including discussions and coaxing, were used to put a stop to the issue but the two prayers at one congregation has continued unabated in the Besut district," he said when approached at a meeting with teachers and students of Sekolah Seri Nering at the Seri Keluang Camp, here.

Nawi said he was confident that the recognition would help control and well manage the issue of the mosques conducting Friday prayers without permission.

Last Friday, when opening the Raja Chendering Mosque, the Sultan of Terengganu, Tuanku Mizan Zainal Abidin, had expressed disappointment over the issue of two prayers at one congregation on Fridays in the state.

Meanwhile, a former committee member of the Besut PAS Division, Raja Ayub alias Omar Raja Kechik, said the issue of two prayers at one congregation which has been going on for more than 20 years in the state, especially in Besut and Marang, can only be resolved by PAS president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang.

He said the issue came up as a result of the "Amanat Haji Hadi" (Haji Hadi Message) declared in Kampung Banggol Peradong, Kuala Terengganu, on April 7, 1981.

Raja Ayub, who is now a committee member of the Besut Umno Division, said he had been involved in the construction of PAS mosques separately at one time.

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