

**PAS Will Islamic Struggle - Hadi
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KEPALA BATAS, Oct 1 (Bernama) -- Pas will continue with its Islamic struggle and will not stray from this cause, said its president Datuk Abdul Hadi Awang.

He said Pas would not stray from the cause.

"Pas has its own mould, as shown by God and the Prophet. The party wants to restore democracy among Muslims.

"We are also a party which is open. We can accept winning and also defeat," he said when opening a congress in conjunction with PAS' 60th anniversary here today.

Also present were PAS spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat and vice-president Mohamad Sabu.

Hadi also said the party would not force non-Muslims to accept Islamic law

"We will try to introduce Islamic laws, especially hudud, but it is not meant to scare the non-Muslims because we will not force them to accept it.

"Hudud is God's law to educate and penalise those who commit wrong, but it is not easy because there are conditions set," he added.

He said PAS was the earliest Islamic political party to be formed in Southeast Asia and had gone through various challenges since it was set up in 1951.

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