

'Hudud stance predates pact'

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Pas leaders adamant in enforcing hudud in Kelantan despite DAP's objection over move.

Pas leaders are steadfast in their opinion of wanting to implement hudud.

Its youth chief, Nasharuddin Hassan Tantawi, said the implementation of hudud, especially in Kelantan, was the party's right.

"We respect the views of DAP, but we do not have to agree with it," he told the New Straits Times yesterday.

Its central working committee member, Dr Dzulkefly Ahmad, said the party's position on hudud was determined before Loose opposition coalition was formed.

He said the implementation of hudud was not part of the opposition's common policy, but the coalition had agreed to disagree on the matter.

"DAP can give their opinion on the matter and we respect it, but the enactment of the law, especially in Kelantan, predates the formation of our coalition."

Both were commenting on DAP chairman Karpal Singh's statement on Saturday, where he advised Pas against the implementation of hudud as it could impact negatively against the opposition coalition.

Karpal said Pas' persistence in enforcing hudud was a worrying trend and it troubled his party.

It was reported that Pas would continue its pursuit to implement hudud in Kelantan although its Pakatan colleagues in the DAP and Parti Keadilan Rakyat had a different stand on the matter.

Opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim had repeatedly stressed that the implementation of hudud was not part of the coalition's policy.

Pas vice-president Salahuddin Ayub and election director Dr Hatta Mohd Ramli, when contacted, declined to comment on the matter.

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