

DAP and PKR said to be jostling for Bentong seat
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BENTONG: DAP and PKR are said to be at loggerheads over the Bentong parliamentary seat, forcing Opposition Leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to come here recently to calm the situation.

Stating this, MCA deputy president Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai said he had heard from the grassroots that both DAP and PKR were vying for the seat and each had refused to give in.

"I was told the jostling for the seat is so intense that both parties had to seek the intervention of its central leadership.

"Their leader (Anwar) was invited to give a *ceramah* here and later meet state leaders to calm the situation," said Liow, who is the incumbent Bentong MP and Health Minister.

Reacting to Liow, Pahang DAP chairman Leong Ngah Ngah admitted the Bentong seat was "being negotiated" but said it was a normal matter.

"We will leave it to the central leadership to decide," he said.

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