

Sarawak DAP At Logger Heads With Partners Over Overlapping Parliamentary Seats

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KUCHING, May 14 (Bernama) -- The Sarawak DAP are at logger heads with its partners in the state, including Parti Keadilan Rakyat (PKR), over the possibility of overlapping claims to a "handful" of parliamentary seats in the coming general election.

Sarawak DAP chairman and Bukit Assek state assemblyman Wong Ho Leng said today that DAP was eyeing between 12-14 parliamentary seats but expect to face some problems with the PKR over the distribution of the seats.

"I foresee some problems with PKR over the overlapping of seats in a handful of constituencies, (maybe about five)," he told reporters after attending the 71-member Sarawak Legislative Assembly here.

Wong, who is also Sibuluan Member of Parliament said it would also be a problem for the peninsular-based opposition party to work with the newly registered Sarawak Workers' Party (SPW), which had declared its stand as a pro Barisan Nasional (BN) party, in the coming polls.

In the 2010 by-election, he won the Sibuluan seat with a mere 398 majority vote in a three-cornered fight with BN candidate Robert Lau Hui Yew and independent candidate Narawi Haron.

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