

PAS' pledge of divine reward is misleading, says Muhyiddin
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KUALA NERANG: The rakyat should be wary of "devious promises" made by the Opposition to fish for votes, said Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said the latest promise by PAS spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat that the rakyat could get *pahala* (reward) if they support the Islamist party was misleading.

"It is the same as the promise that the rakyat could go to heaven if they vote for PAS. Who has the power to decide if we go to heaven or hell?"

"As long as the person abides by Islamic teachings, God will reward them," he said in his speech during a luncheon with Felda Lubuk Merbau settlers near here yesterday.

Muhyiddin said PAS had issued a fatwa that the 1Malaysia People Aid (BR1M) money that the federal government gave to the people was a bribe despite their members having also accepted the RM500 aid.

"In Kedah alone a total of 363,132 people benefited from the aid. The Barisan government spent RM181mil for BR1M in the state," he said.

Later, he said economic initiatives outlined by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak had enabled Malaysia to attain international standing.

"Our Prime Minister's leadership is very focused. It's not reckless or semborono' as they say in Jawa or cincai' in Chinese," he said when opening the Jom Niaga Kedah chapter event at UiTM Merbok here yesterday.

In ALOR SETAR, Muhyiddin said the Government valued and appreciated the services and sacrifices of those in the military, police and prisons.

"The Barisan government will continue to take care of their welfare, even after they have retired," he said.

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