

Selection Of Independence Day Theme Is Prerogative Of Government - Ahmad Maslan
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PULAU INDAH, July 26 (Bernama) -- The selection of the theme for the Independence Day celebration is the prerogative of the ruling government based on the current needs without prejudice to any quarters.

Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Ahmad Maslan said the theme '55 Tahun Merdeka Janji Ditepati' (55 Years of Independence, Promises Fulfilled) chosen for this year's Independence Day celebration should be seen in the context of the meaning of a promise.

"Fulfilling a promise is a universal good value and when we say promises fulfilled, it motivates the people to fulfill their promises in all aspects of life, except when the meaning is narrowed down to political point of view."

He said this after attending the breaking of fast event with Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency personnel on board maritime ship KM Marlin here Wednesday. Several opposition leaders were reported to have questioned the theme, deeming it as a political campaign.

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