

Selangor Asked To Explain Why Anwar Accorded Guest Of Honour Status
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SHAH ALAM, Sept 2 (Bernama) -- The Selangor government has failed to differentiate between an official event and a political programme by inviting Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim as the guest of honour at the state-level independence day celebration last Thursday.

Selangor Barisan Nasional deputy chairman Datuk Seri Noh Omar said this clearly demonstrated Menteri Besar Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim's attempt to harness the opposition culture in the state's administration.

"Why Anwar, who is not a state leader, was accorded the guest of honour status at the ceremony.

"Hence, we want the menteri besar to explain whether the ceremony was an official state government function or a political programme," Noh told a news conference here Sunday.

He was commenting on the state government's action for not inviting the Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah to the state-level Merdeka Day celebration.

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