

Will Budget Session Be The Last Meeting Of 12th Parliament?

Bernama

September 21, 2012

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 21 (Bernama) -- With the Dewan Rakyat convening on Monday for the budget meeting, questions have arisen as to whether it would be the last or penultimate meeting before the government's mandate runs out on April 28 next year.

Pundits speculate that the 13th general election could be called at the end of November, after Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak quipped during a visit to Machang, Kelantan, early this month that he was longing to call the general election.

If that happens, then the budget meeting of the Dewan Rakyat, the third meeting of the fifth session of the 12th parliament, which ends on Nov 27, could be the last meeting of the 12th parliament.

If the general election does not take place in November as speculated, then it is likely that the government may go the full term on its mandate, meaning the election would be held early next year.

Election Commission (EC) Deputy Chairman Datuk Wan Ahmad Wan Omar said parliament would dissolve automatically if the Yang di-Pertuan Agong did not dissolve it before April 28 next year.

-- BERNAMA

Copyright © 2012 BERNAMA

Source: <http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v6/newsindex.php?id=696233>