

**Muhyiddin Amazed Over Hadi's Blessings For Malays To Join DAP**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 5 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin expressed surprise over a statement attributed to PAS president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang giving his blessings for the Malays to join the DAP.

He said the political relationship between PAS and the DAP was a strange and mysterious one, considering that the two parties were opposed to one another.

"As such, it is very strange for Hadi to have come out with that statement because all of us know that the DAP-PAS relationship is troubled and weak," he told reporters after launching the World Innovation Forum Kuala Lumpur 2012 (WIF-KL2012), here Monday.

Muhyiddin was asked to comment on Abdul Hadi's statement giving approval to the Malays to join the DAP when DAP chairman Karpal Singh had expressed opposition to the implementation of 'hudud' laws and the formation of an Islamic state championed by PAS.

"If everyone joins the DAP, PAS will be without members. It confounds me whether the statement was made by the PAS president. All the people, especially the Malays, know that the DAP has never been a party which champions all the races," he said.

In fact, the DAP had never contested in a Malay area but only chose to stand in non-Malay areas, particularly in the cities, he said.

Referring to the DAP's prevention of the Utusan Malaysia newspaper from covering the meetings of the Penang State Legislative Assembly, he said the party did not do as it preached.

"We hear about the principle of struggle, upholding of transparency and so on that form the basis of the party's struggle. But in terms of actual practice, it is not so," he said.

Asked for his opinion of former Parti Kesejahteraan Insan Tanah Air (Kita) president Datuk Zaid Ibrahim wanting to contest in Pekan, the prime minister's constituency, in the next general election, he said: "That I do not know. Let's wait and see it's true."

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