

MB Khalid says 'survey' shows Pakatan can win 215 seats
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KUALA LUMPUR, April 10 – Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim claimed tonight a survey conducted by “a few university groups” showed the federal opposition pact Pakatan Rakyat can win 215 federal seats in Election 2013.

The interim Selangor menteri besar, however, gave no details of the survey but said a study conducted in June, December and March this year indicated steady increase in support towards the opposition.

“I am happy because I received this email this morning from some university groups with no political interests which said their study shows PR can win 215 federal seats,” he told a crowd of 600 who braved the heavy rain and muddy ground to attend the party’s ceramah in Bandar Tun Razak here.

The PKR leader, who will remain as the party’s Bandar Tun Razak MP, added that the possibility for PR to win federal power is very high if the pact keep its “current strategy”.

“Our chances of winning is very bright. What we need to do is face this challenge, this task of winning we must confront.

“This is your dream. Your ambition,” Khalid (picture) said.

Opposition Leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim had said recently that PR was capable of forming the new government with at least 125 out of the 222 federal seats to be contested in Election 2013.

His ally, DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang, claimed the bloc, formed only after the opposition bloodied the ruling coalition’s nose in the historic Election 2008, could also win three more states on top of the four it helmed last term.

Barisan Nasional lost its customary parliamentary majority and five states in the March 8 polls. It won back Perak soon after following three defections from PR.

Come May 5, Malaysians will again make history when it cast their ballots in what has been touted as the “mother of all elections” in Malaysian political history.

Khalid reminded voters that this was the one chance for them to replace the present corrupt regime with a “government of the people”.

He said voters should look to the welfare policies of PR-controlled states like cheap water under Selangor and annual cash aid for the poor under Penang as proof of the pact’s pro-people ideology.

“I promise you if we win Putrajaya water will be taken back and given to the people of the federal territories,” he said.

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