

**Muhyiddin Facing PAS Candidate In Straight Fight In Pagoh**  
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PAGOH, April 20 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin will face a PAS candidate in a straight fight to defend his parliamentary seat, Pagoh, in the general election on May 5.

Muhyiddin, who is also the Barisan Nasional (BN) deputy chairman, will again be challenged by Mohd Rozali Jamil, whom he had beaten in the last general election.

This was announced by the Pagoh returning officer, Zulkifly Mohd Tahir, at about 11.50am which was carried live by TV3.

"After studying (the nomination papers) and having been satisfied, I find there was no candidate being rejected for nomination. Therefore, I now confirm that the candidates contesting the Pagoh parliamentary seat are Muhyiddin Yassin from BN and Mohd Rozali Jamil from PAS," he said.

Earlier, the Deputy Prime Minister submitted his nomination papers at the nomination centre at the Pagoh Sports Complex, at 9.30am, while his challenger handed his at 9.01am.

In the 2008 general election, Muhyiddin secured 21,028 votes while Mohd Rozali, an independent Muslim missionary, garnered 8,447 votes.

Meanwhile, the two state constituencies under the Pagoh parliamentary constituency will also see straight fights between the BN candidates and the PKR.

In the Bukit Serampang state constituency, BN candidate Ismail Mohamed will meet Saadon Abdullah (PKR), while in the Jorak state constituency, Datuk Dr Sharuddin Md Salleh (BN) will face Norhayati Bachok from the PAS women's wing.

Ismail, who is the Bakri UMNO Youth head, is a BN newcomer while Sharuddin is the incumbent Jorak Assemblyman.

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