

Penang BN insists candidates list final
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GEORGE TOWN, April 17 — Penang Barisan Nasional (BN) will not change its line-up of candidates announced yesterday despite grouses by those who were not picked.

Penang BN chief Teng Chang Yeow said the coalition will not change its candidates list for the polls on May 5 because of a few individuals.

Last night, former Tasek Gelugor MP Datuk Seri Mohd Shariff Omar and BN Batu Kawan co-ordinator A.Mohan said they intend to contest as independent candidates in their respective areas.

Mohd Shariff had accused BN of not selecting candidates that the people want and warned the coalition may lose the Tasek Gelugor seat because it picked a candidate whom he said was not the choice of voters there.

When asked, Teng said the candidates list was decided upon by BN party leaders and that these disgruntled members can say anything they like.

“They are putting their self interest above the party interest,” he said.

Teng later issued a press statement that he will leave it to the respective component parties to take disciplinary action against them.

“In the case of Mohan, he has resigned as a member of Gerakan,” he said.

He also wished both Mohan and Mohd Shariff well in the coming election.

Yesterday, Penang BN revealed its candidates, with 33 of the 53 runners being new faces.

Former Permatang Berangan state assemblyman Shabudin Yahaya will be defending the Tasek Gelugor seat for BN against PAS’s new face, Datuk Seri Abdul Rahman Maidin.

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