

Chinese Community Urged To Give Full Mandate To PM - Muhyiddin Yassin
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ALOR SETAR, April 27 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin has called on the Chinese community, particularly those in Kedah, to reject the opposition and give their full support to the leadership of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

He expressed confidence that the Barisan Nasional (BN) government was capable of administering Kedah better compared to the PAS government which had not brought any changes while the DAP only raised racial issues.

"I want to ask the Chinese community in Kedah, what has Azizan (Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Azizan Abdul Razak) done for the Chinese community in Kedah, do tell me, what has he done for the economy, which Chinese school has he put up, let me know now.

"I want to ask the people of Kedah, do you want to support Azizan, or do you want to give your support to Datuk Bashah (Kedah BN chairman Datuk Ahmad Bashah Md Hanipah) and Datuk Mukhriz (Kedah BN deputy chairman Datuk Mukhriz Tun Mahathir) from the BN," he said.

He said this when addressing the guests at the dinner programme at Sekolah Menengah Keat Hwa (Private), here Saturday night.

Muhyiddin advised the Chinese against trusting the propaganda by the opposition that said the BN would close down the Chinese schools if it was returned to power.

"We (BN) actually give more attention to the Chinese and Tamil schools. We can see that after 56 years of BN rule, no Chinese school had been closed down.

"This is the first time Najib is asking for the mandate to continue to lead the country for the sake of a better future," he said.

To date, said Muhyiddin who is also the Education Minister, a total of 1,300 national type Chinese schools and 600 Tamil schools had been set up nationwide.

The federal government had also allocated RM1.8 billion annually to pay the salaries of teachers in Chinese schools while another RM600 million had been allocated to pay the salaries of teachers in Tamil schools.

More than 1,000 people from the Chinese community filled the Sekolah Keat Hwa hall to join Muhyiddin for dinner.

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