

**At Least 70 Percent Voter Turnout Nationwide**  
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PUTRAJAYA, May 5 (Bernama) -- At least 70 percent of the total of 12,992,661 normal voters had cast their votes in the 13th general election (GE13) today and according to Election Commission (EC), the figure could reach as high as 80 per cent.

EC Chairman Tan Sri Abdul Aziz Mohd Yusof said today the final percentage of voter turnout would only be known after counting of the Form 16, that is, the polling statement had been concluded.

"The total of 70 per cent is the minimum. God willing, it could be as high as 80 per cent," he told the media at the EC headquarters, here.

The voting process began at 8am and closed at 5pm.

He said that generally, the EC was satisfied with the polling process today.

"The EC thanks the voters for discharging their rights as voters, we also thank the Royal Malaysia Police for maintaining security throughout the country, the EC personnel involved in postal voting as well as early and normal voting," he said.

Abdul Aziz also advised the political parties against announcing unofficial results to avoid public confusion.

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