

Mukhriz Urges Voters In Kuala Besut Not To Let Terengganu Fall To PAS
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KUALA BESUT, July 19 (Bernama) -- Voters in Kuala Besut have been urged to back Barisan Nasional (BN) to prevent the state from falling to the opposition as what had transpired in Kedah in the 2008 general election.

Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Mukhriz Tun Dr Mahathir, who is also Kedah Umno Liaison Committee deputy chairman, admitted Kedah applied the same approach and strategy to recapture Kedah, as did Terengganu when it escaped PAS' one-term rule in the 2004 general election.

"As good things are already available here in Terengganu, to the extent we from Kedah and other states also come here to learn from Terengganu, I feel there is no need for the voters in the state to change government.

"We see the Terengganu BN government as being very progressive and has vision and approaches which are out of the box, They have been successful in boosting the state to a far better level compared to earlier including in education," he said.

He said this to reporters after visiting the Kedah operations room for the Kuala Besut by-election and handing over tithes to more than 100 recipients in Kampung Air Terjun near here today.

The Kedah Umno Liaison Committee has been entrusted in looking after the Bukit Puteri Polling District which has 2,424 voters.

As such, Mukhriz said Kedah would seek to emulate the Terengganu education method which was excellent and effective resulting in excellent results in the Primary School Evaluation Test (UPSR) for the 11th continuous year.

Furthermore, Terengganu also showed excellent results in the Lower Secondary Assessment (PMR) for four years in a row, Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) and Sijil Tinggi Pelajaran Malaysia (STPM) which bore fruit for three consecutive years.

Mukhriz also expressed confidence at the character and personality of BN candidate for the by-election, Tengku Zaihan Che Ku Abd Rahman in garnering a win on July 24.

He said the good character and personality of the candidate and his background and family which could be banked on had forced PAS to desperately besmirch the young candidate in the eyes of the public.

"I am confident his direct approach and humble character are capable of attracting young voters whom, I understand, make up 54 percent of the voters here," he said.

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