

BN, PAS Candidates Wooing Voters Till The Last Moment
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KUALA BESUT, July 23 (Bernama) -- Barisan Nasional (BN) and PAS are campaigning right to the last minute to woo fence sitters before polling begins for the Kuala Besut state seat by-election, tomorrow.

BN candidate Tengku Zaihan Che Ku Abd Rahman said the last minute campaign was proving to be effective for him and his party's election machinery.

"We are using every second in the final minutes," he said when met during a visit to Kampung Baharu, here, Tuesday.

Since nomination day on July 12, the BN candidate attended no less than 10 events a day to meet various strata of the community and voters in Kuala Besut.

Starting as early as 8am, Tengku Zaihan attends every function arranged by party workers to meet voters and his 'assignments' sometimes go on until 3.30am.

Sleeping only between three to four hours a day and admitting to be a tiring 11 days of campaigning, the former Drainage and Irrigation Department engineer who was the chosen candidate for BN, would also be interviewed by the media, not less than five times a day.

"I am tired for sure but the work in the DID was not much different from the present campaign, just fortified my health with vitamins and other supplements to keep up with the pace," he said.

Tengku Zaihan said Kuala Besut residents he had met gave various feedback, from complaints to ideas on ways to develop the area.

"The problems of Kuala Besut residents will be my record and reference," he said.

Meanwhile, PAS Kuala Besut campaign manager, Hanafiah Mat who is also the spokesman for candidate Endot@Azlan Yusof said he would meet all voters during the campaign.

"He will continue to meet voters here in Pulau Perhentian until the campaign ends tonight," Hanafiah said when met at the PAS centre in Kampung Baharu here.

Azlan who is also known as 'Che Long' was reported to be gagged after making a controversial spontaneous statement which was aired on YouTube.

The by-election was called following the death of incumbent Dr A. Rahman Mokhtar of Barisan Nasional on June 26, due to lung cancer.

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