

PAS Files Appeal Against Dismissal Of Election Petitions In Perak
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 9 (Bernama) -- PAS is appealing against the dismissal of election petitions involving five state assembly seats in Perak.

Co-counsel acting for the party, Gene Anand Vendragon, when contacted today, confirmed that the case management for the appeals for Rungkup, Manong and Pasir Panjang had been set for Thursday.

The case management for Lubok Merbau and Selama has been set for Sept 19.

PAS secured five state seats, compared with DAP's 18 and PKR's five seats in the May general election, with Barisan Nasional currently holding 31 of the 59 seats in the assembly.

Anand said PAS was pursuing the seats which the party lost with a marginal number of votes of between 100 to 500.

He said the appeals were filed under Section 35A of the Election Offences Act 1954, where petitioners and respondents had up to mid-November to file appeals.

He added that all petitions filed by the party had been rejected by the election courts on technical ground.

Lead counsel Datuk Bastian Pius Vendragon will represent the petitioners at the Apex Court.

A total of 58 election petitions were filed by political parties in Peninsular Malaysia, with the highest number registered in Perak at 11, followed by Kelantan (nine).

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