

PAS will help Anwar in Kajang, says Hadi
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Dispelling talk of a boycott, PAS will support opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's bid to win the Kajang state seat.

President Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang said the party's election director Dr Hatta Ramli would lead the PAS election machinery in this by-election.

"The issue about the Selangor menteri besar's post does not arise," he said in a statement last night after the party's political and election committee meeting.

Selangor PAS Youth had said that it would boycott the election, especially if it was Anwar's intention to take over the menteri besar post if he won the Kajang seat.

The Kajang by-election is being called following the resignation of its incumbent, Lee Chin Cheh, last week.

Following that, Selangor Menteri Besar Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim, in a press conference, announced that PKR has chosen its de facto leader – Anwar – as its candidate to contest the seat.

Lee's shock resignation and Anwar's subsequent candidacy has fuelled speculation that the latter wanted to take over as MB in order to stop a growing rivalry between Khalid and Selangor PKR chief Azmin Ali.

"In the spirit of Pakatan Rakyat, central PAS and Selangor PAS will help the PKR election machinery according to its needs in facing the by-election," Hadi said. – February 4, 2014.

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