

Ramkarpal Singh Hopes To Raise DAP's Majority In Bukit Gelugor
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GEORGE TOWN, May 12 (Bernama) -- Ramkarpal Singh Deo, the third son of the late Karpal Singh, is hoping to increase the majority for the DAP in the Bukit Gelugor by-election on May 25.

Despite anticipating a tough fight, Ramkarpal Singh said he would work hard to convince the voters to defend his father's seat.

"It's not going to be an easy contest but I will work with my comrades in the party to ensure we win this by-election," he told reporters after the nomination at the Dewan Sri Pinang here Monday.

The Bukit Gelugor parliamentary by-election, which has been necessitated by Karpal Singh's death, is a four-cornered fight among the DAP, Parti Cinta Malaysia (PCM) and two independents.

DAP advisor Lim Kit Siang said he anticipated a tough fight in the by-election despite the Barisan Nasional (BN) not contesting.

DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng said the BN had the right not to contest.

By not contesting in Bukit Gelugor, the BN could focus its machinery in the Teluk Intan by-election, said the Penang chief minister. The Teluk Intan by-election is on May 31.

The Bukit Gelugor by-election is a four-cornered contest among Ramkarpal Singh, PCM vice-president Datuk Huan Cheng Guan and independent candidates Mohd Nabi Bux Mohd Abd Sathar and Abu Backer Sidek Mohammad Zan.

Polling is on May 25.

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