

BN Expresses Unconditional, Sincere Support For Khalid As Selangor MB
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PUTRAJAYA, Aug 11 (Bernama) -- The Barisan Nasional (BN) Monday expressed unconditional and sincere support for Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim to continue as the menteri besar of Selangor.

Deputy Prime Minister and BN deputy chairman Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said the decision was arrived at after he discussed with Prime Minister and BN chairman Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak on BN's position with regard to the leadership tussle in Selangor.

"So, based on several policies, reasons and principles, the BN supports the Selangor menteri besar (Abdul Khalid).

"We did not consider the political ideologies and such; we saw no justification for a change of leadership as proposed by Pakatan Rakyat in the state," he said when asked to comment on the situation in Selangor after he had chaired a meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Tourism in Putrajaya.

Muhyiddin said the support was unconditional and sincere because the BN wanted to see stability in the state.

"If you ask how we will benefit by supporting him (Abdul Khalid), we ourselves do not know how we will gain," he said.

Muhyiddin said of more importance was the question of continuity of leadership and the fate of the people in the state.

He said that all the BN assemblymen in Selangor would express support for Abdul Khalid should there be a vote of confidence or otherwise in the menteri besar.

"Selangor is an important state and it is for this reason that we feel that it is better not to have a change in leadership, even though Abdul Khalid is not from a BN party," he said.

Muhyiddin also said that in the last several months, Abdul Khalid had extended support and cooperation with regard to the water problem and restructuring of the water industry in Selangor as well as the construction of the Langat 2 water treatment plant.

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