

**PAS will not work with chauvinists, says Hadi**  
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PAS is open to work with everyone except chauvinists, its president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang says, without referring to its former Pakatan Rakyat ally DAP which critics often label as chauvinist.

He also maintained that the Pakatan Rakyat coalition still existed, despite DAP declaring the pact as dead.

"What is a Pakatan (pact)? It has to have at least two (in the coalition). That means Pakatan still exists as PKR has not decided to stop cooperating with PAS," he said today after visiting a Ramadan bazaar in Kuala Lumpur.

After DAP pronounced the death of the pact last Tuesday, PKR chief Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail said PKR regretted both PAS and DAP's respective actions and that their actions meant that the coalition could no longer function.

Its deputy president Mohamed Azmin Ali reportedly said the definition of "no longer functions formally" did not mean Pakatan ceased to exist as the governments of Selangor and Penang still functioned.

Meanwhile, Hadi denied making a "slandering remark" against his challenger in the recent party election and suggested that Ahmad Awang was DAP's candidate.

"I never said that. Never made such a statement," said Hadi.

Ahmad said while he did not regret losing in the elections, the slander hurled against him caused a rift in PAS.

"I am considering it (suing), including the president who labelled me DAP's candidate," Ahmad told The Malaysian Insider yesterday.

In the run-up to the PAS muktamar elections in Selangor, Hadi had said in a statement which went viral on video that the contest for the party presidency was between a DAP choice and a PAS candidate.

"You can choose between the one DAP wants or the one we (PAS) want," he said in the video which went viral, especially among muktamar delegates.

During the elections, an ulama-linked list of candidates, said to have been endorsed by Hadi, was distributed to delegates.

The pro-Hadi group swept all the positions in the Central, Youth and Women's wings while candidates in the Dewan Ulama won without contest. – June 21, 2015.

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