

**DAP still in Selangor government to make sure PAS won't act on its own, says Guan Eng**  
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DAP will remain in the Selangor government to ensure that the policies and promises made in the Pakatan Rakyat manifesto are implemented and prevent PAS from issuing unilateral policies, says party secretary-general Lim Guan Eng today.

He said this was to ensure that all the promises and policies mutually agreed on would be carried out.

"We want to make sure that the policies that have been mutually agreed on will be implemented in Selangor," he said.

But at the same time, he said, the party was also part of Pakatan Harapan, the new coalition set up with PKR and Amanah, which was formed by former PAS progressive leaders.

"That is why I support the Selangor DAP's decision to contest in PAS areas in the state."

Selangor DAP chairman Tony Pua said earlier the state DAP would kick off its election campaign to garner support for Pakatan Harapan in the areas contested by PAS.

He added that PAS won 15 out of the 22 seats contested in Selangor because people voted for Pakatan Rakyat and not PAS per se.

Pua said DAP Selangor has decided to contest in eight seats contested by PAS in the 14th general election.

The seats are Seri Serdang, Dusun Tua, Taman Templer, Tanjong Sepat, Chempaka, Lembah Jaya, Paya Jaras and Meru.

He said the decision was made after Menteri Besar Mohamed Azmin Ali refused to change the structure of the coalition in Selangor although Pakatan Rakyat has ceased to exist.

"We will still be in the ad hoc coalition for the sake of the people to avoid a political turmoil in Selangor. We will play our role to ensure that all the decisions mutually agreed and supported by the people during the last general election are fulfilled," said Pua.

On the decision to contest in PAS areas, Pua said the party had won the parliamentary and state seats in Perak, Selangor and Johor under the PR ticket.

"Before Pakatan was formed, PAS garnered not more than 15% support in most of the seats it contested in Johor.

"It was normal for them to lose their deposits," said Pua.

He said that although it was DAP which initiated the decision to contest in the eight PAS seats, the final decision rested on Pakatan Harapan.

"We have just expressed our intention. Our aim is to start our campaign right away. Even if later it was decided the seat will be contested by a candidate from (Parti Amanah Negara) Amanah or others under Pakatan Harapan, DAP will support them," said Pua. – November 1, 2015.

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