

Feel the burn: Najib's 'Real Kajang Move' tweet on target
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A twitter message promoting the upcoming launch of MRT's second phase and the station in Kajang, has Prime Minister Najib Razak taking a dig at political rivals.

PETALING JAYA: Prime Minister Najib Razak and his social media team hit a sweet spot last night with a tweet that has received much praise even from those who are staunch opposition supporters.

A message on Twitter, showing a photo of the new MRT station in Kajang with a signboard that says "Stesen MRT Kajang" and the accompanying message "The Real Kajang Move. Coming to you in seven days. #JomNaikMRT" was widely retweeted for its dig at political rivals PKR.

The photo and tweet were a prelude to the launch of the second phase of the MRT Sungei Buloh-Kajang (MRT-SBK) line which will be operational from July 17. The first phase launched last December runs from Sungei Buloh to Jalan Semantan, Damansara.

The term "Kajang Move" had previously been used to refer to the enforced by-election in Kajang by PKR in 2014, in order to make party president Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail a state assemblyperson in Selangor.

The move was originally intended for then PKR defacto leader Anwar Ibrahim to be the candidate, following the resignation of its PKR assemblyman Lee Chin Cheh, who won the state seat in the last general election in May 2013.

Lee's resignation in January 2014 triggered the by-election.

However, even before the nomination day for the by-election, which took place on March 23, the move was thrown into disarray as Anwar was convicted over his "Sodomy 2" charges on March 7, with the government successfully appealing against his acquittal in 2012.

The whole plan was seen as a way for first Anwar, then Wan Azizah, to take over the Selangor government from then embattled Selangor menteri besar Khalid Ibrahim. The plan was dubbed "Kajang Move" by PKR vice-president Rafizi Ramli, who was also said to be the architect behind it.

Eventually, the move was seen to be a failure, as despite winning the seat, Wan Azizah was not made the Selangor MB as the Sultan of Selangor had objected to it. Party deputy president Azmin Ali was then appointed menteri besar.

However, Rafizi said the move met its objective of ousting Khalid, who was later sacked from the party and remains an independent rep in the state assembly.

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