

Salleh Says Naming Of PM Candidate Part Of Mahathir's 'Game Of Thrones'

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(FMT) – Pakatan Harapan's announcement yesterday on its candidates for prime minister and deputy prime minister sends a strong signal to those in the coalition that everyone is dispensable in Dr Mahathir Mohamad's "Game of Thrones", said Salleh Said Keruak, referring to the popular TV series.

Salleh, who is the communications and multimedia minister, said the announcement created "quite a stir" due to several reasons.

"First of all, everyone knew that Pakatan had no choice but to name Dr Mahathir Mohamad (PPBM chairman) as their prime minister-in-waiting.

"To name anyone else would have been suicidal as it meant Pakatan could disintegrate in 24 hours. So it was more a case of 'I told you so'," he posted on his blog, sskeruak.blogspot.com, today.

Salleh said the opposition also had no choice but to name PKR president Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail as the deputy prime minister-in-waiting and, again, it would have been suicidal to name anyone else.

"But surely there are other notable leaders who have sacrificed so much, including giving up their ministerial and party office-bearer posts?

"Why are these names not considered but instead discarded?" he asked.

Yesterday, PH announced Mahathir as its prime ministerial candidate, and Dr Wan Azizah was named as the candidate for deputy prime minister, if the opposition wins the next polls.

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