

PD by-election: PRM throws hat in ring

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BUTTERWORTH, Sept 21 (Bernama) -- Parti Rakyat Malaysia (PRM) will be fielding a candidate in the Port Dickson by-election.

Its president Mohd Hashim Saaludin said so far PRM had shortlisted three names and would announce its candidate soon.

"Among the reasons PRM is joining the fray is to raise issues close to the hearts of the people and remind the Pakatan Harapan government to keep the promises it made in its manifesto," he told a press conference here today.

He said PRM also felt responsible to contest the by-election because UMNO, the biggest opposition party in Parliament, was in "shambles".

Incumbent Port Dickson MP Datuk Danyal Balagopal Abdullah, from PKR, has vacated the seat to give way to PKR president-elect Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim who is slated to succeed Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad as Malaysia's eighth prime minister.

Nomination is on Sept 29 and polling on Oct 13.

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