

I do not use government machinery in PD campaign - Wan Azizah

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PORT DICKSON, Oct 6 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail has stressed that she did not use government machinery and assets in the campaign for the Port Dickson by-election because she was here in her capacity as PKR president.

She said even the police officers who escorted her during the campaign for Pakatan Harapan (PH) candidate, who is also PKR de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, were not deployed upon her request.

Instead, she said they were there merely to discharge their duties to protect her as the country's deputy prime minister.

"I know we cannot use government machinery and assets to campaign. I am here in my capacity as PKR president.

"Those police officers are escorting me because of the post I'm holding right now. They said it's their responsibility to protect me," she said in her speech at the meet-and-greet programme with the residents of Kampung Pengkalan Durian, Linggi, near here, today.

In a similar programme with the Air Kuning Chinese community in Linggi, Dr Wan Azizah, who is also Women, Family and Community Development Minister, gave assurance to carry out a review on single mothers' aid which might have been cut or stopped.

"We will see how we can help these single mothers, but we have to bear in mind that the country has quite a huge debt and we have to put balance on that, but no matter what, we will continue helping the needy and the poor," he said.

Meantime, Dr Wan Azizah called on the voters here to go to the polls on Oct 13 and to vote

for Anwar to enable him to return to Parliament and help Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad in administering the country.

“We want our economy to grow strong and stable. Anwar was once recognised as the best Minister of Finance back in the 1990s, and he can help strengthen the country’s economy when he returned to Parliament,” she added.

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