## Political Communication Global Values vs Local Trust

The Malaysian Experience

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Political Communication in today's global times and the attempt for setting local trust

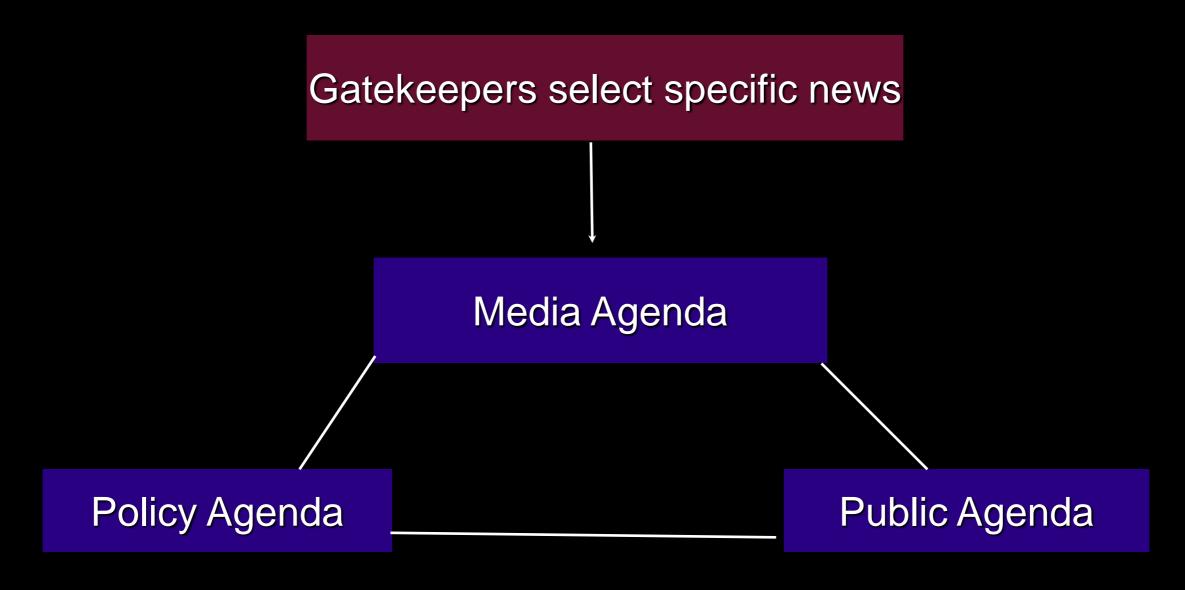
#### "Malaysia Truly Asia"



Rich biodiversity of the country - ethnic religious and cultural.

Constitutional, democratic, parliamentary elective monarchy.

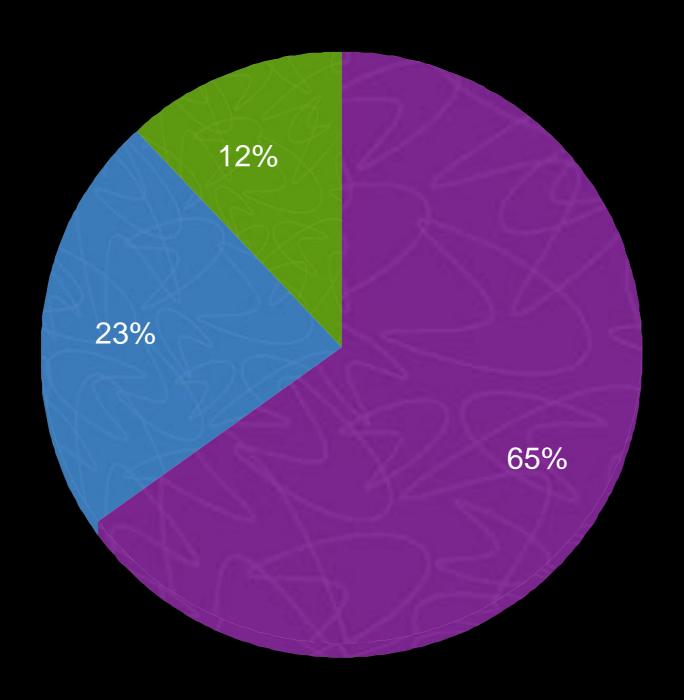
### Political Communication in Agenda Setting



# Traditional Media vs New Media

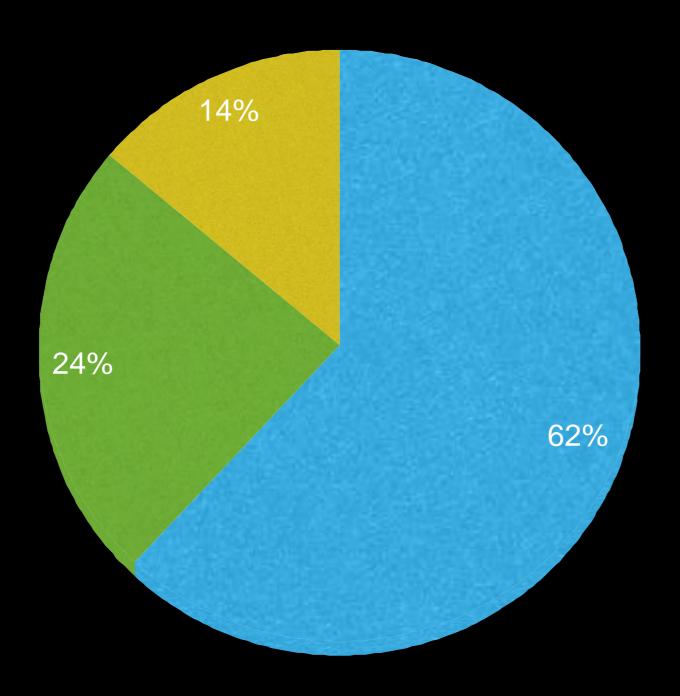
- In the recent years, Malaysian citizens have acquired a new technology of communication.
- How did it start?
- Bill of Guarantees.
- Malaysians now enjoy a certain amount of freedom that has been restricted in traditional media.

#### ■ Online Media ■ TV ■ Newspaper



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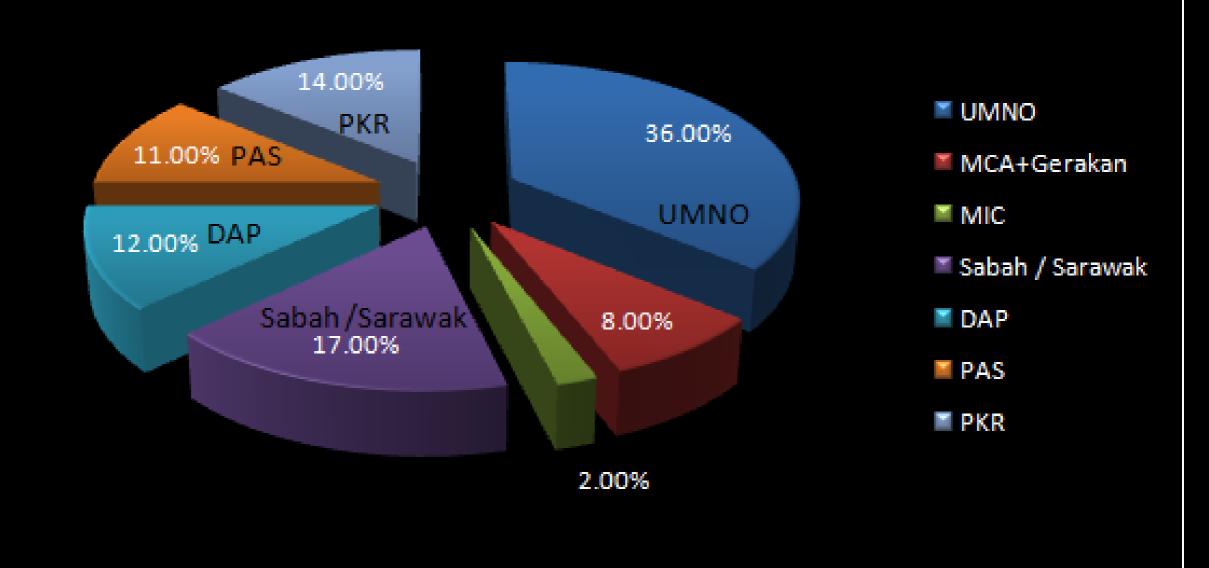


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# So, what happened in Malaysia's 12th General Elections in 2008?

- The party that belongs to the government did not recognize the growing impact of social media.
- The country opposition's coalition was credited in using new media.
- The former Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi was to admit that his 'biggest mistake' was to ignore a cyber campaign over the internet and this was a 'serious misjudgment'.

#### Malaysia's Parliament Seats 2008 Election Results



## 2013 13th General Elections: Social Media Elections?

## New Media 2008 vs Social Media 2013

- In electoral terms, BN's result slid further in 2013, compared to 2008. In May, 2013, at the general elections, the ruling BN secured 133 seats compared to 89 by the opposition PR.
- The BN coalition was the worst electoral performance since 1969, dropping further than its 140 seats in the 2008 elections.
- On the other hand, Pakatan Rakyat made an improvement of 5 seats over its 2008 results of 82 seats.
   For two elections running, the opposition was able to deny the ruling BN's two-third majority in the Parliament.

#### Was it a case of social medial elections?

Apart from the fact that the ruling party

managed to close the gap when it comes to

reaching the people on social networks and

apart from all the likes it got,

it was NOT a case of social media elections.

## How do you build local trust in global times - through all global values?

#### Thank You.