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As political parties begin to display their flags such as along this road in Kuala Terengganu, TNB and RTD have cautioned them about ensuring safety. — Picture by Bernama

KOTA BARU — Political parties are reminded not to place party flags on cables, conductors or electric poles to prevent anyone from getting electrocuted.

Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) Kelantan senior manager Datuk Yuslan Md Yusoff said TNB is also banning flags to be hung at restricted areas like power substations, low and high voltage main points and supply stations.

"In the last elections, two men died after they were electrocuted while fixing party flags in Tanah Merah and we don't want a repeat of such incidents," he said. Yuslan said TNB will call representatives from each political party in the state to brief them.

"We will also inform political parties to immediately remove flags that are fixed at places prohibited by TNB," he said.

In Perlis, Road Transport Department (RTD) director Shahrul Azhar Mat Dali caution vehicle owners who paste party flags on their vehicles to ensure they do not affect their view and endanger other road users.

"In the excitement to raise the spirit of party supporters, they might not realise the flags fixed on their vehicles might obstruct the view of other drivers," he said during the department's 72nd anniversary state level celebration yesterday.

"We will see how the flags are placed, and if they're not suitably positioned, we will offer guidance accordingly," he said.

Shahrul Azhar said the size of flags fixed on cars and motorcyles must be suitable to the size of the vehicles.

He said that when flags are fixed haphazardly, accidents may occur especially during strong winds when the flags can block the view of others, or worse, fly off and land on other vehicles' windscreens. — Bernama