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GERAKAN TO DO ITS PART TO WIPE OUT GRAFT

KUALA LUMPUR, June 9 (Bernama) -- Gerakan, a member of the ruling coalition, will do all that is necessary to eliminate corruption among its members who hold public office at state and federal levels.

"We support the call by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Acting Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to eliminate corruption," said the party's president and Minister of Primary Industries Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik here today.

"In future, Gerakan candidates selected for public office will not only have to be clean but must be seen to be clean," he added.

He said Gerakan MPs and state assemblymen will have to declare their assets to the Prime Minister and Chief Ministers respectively.

Datuk Seri Dr Lim spoke to reporters after delivering a keynote address at the symposium cum workshop on "Trade Promotion and Development in the Context of Emerging Multilateral Trading System" here.

He said allowing funds allocated for development to be used for political purposes is also a corruption, and those responsible will be dealt with seriously.

Gerakan will try to eliminate money politics, he said, adding that the party will discuss corruption issues at its Central Working Committee meeting this Saturday. -- BERNAMA

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