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Isa dismisses allegations

SEREMBAN, Wed. - Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamad Isa Abdul Samad today dismissed allegations by the Opposition that he had millions of ringgit kept in a foreign bank.

He said he was used to such allegations by the Opposition who used it for gaining political mileage as the general election approached.

"I welcome those who want to check the so-called millions of ringgit I have in the American Express Bank as claimed," he said. "They can take all the money which I will willingly give to them."

Mohamad Isa, who is State Umno chief, said he was aware of the allegation made by the Opposition parties in their ceramah in the State recently..

Besides, he said, the foreign bank account issue was also posted in the Internet.

"People should not be fooled by these allegations which were unfounded," he said.

In every general election, Isa said there were even absurd claims that he had a few wives.

Meanwhile, Mohamad Isa criticised Parti Keadilan Nasional president Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail for alleging that the Prime Minister may declare a state of emergency following street violence in the Kuala Lumpur last week.

The violence followed the High Court's six-year jail sentence against her husband and former Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim last Wednesday.

"The Prime Minister is not desperate nor is he about to resort to such dictatorial moves simply because there is street violence," he said.

"The Government subscribes to democratic system."

"If Dr Mahathir was a dictator, Anwar's case would not have dragged for so long."

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