

## **Why business course for foreign farm labourers?**

**Malaysiakini.com**

**October 14, 2011**

Johor PAS has questioned the "first class treatment" of a group of foreign workers to an "entrepreneurship course" when their agricultural worker permits did not allow them to do business in the country.

NONE "It is unbelievable that foreigners are being given an entrepreneurship course when they are not allowed to do business in the country in the first place," said Johor PAS Youth chief Suhaizan Kaiat.

"After all, is a foreign worker who is here on an agricultural permit allowed to operate a business in this country? Since when has the government allowed foreign labourers to do business in our country?" said Suhaizan in a statement yesterday.

According to him, the bus drivers were originally hired to ferry the 240, whom he said were foreign workers, from Johor to be dropped off at the Prime Minister's Department in Putrajaya.

However, at the eleventh hour, they were ordered to head to a resort in Bangi, Selangor instead.

"It is unbelievable that the organisers of a entrepreneurship course would change venue at the last minute from a government venue to a resort in Kajang," he said.

Alleged citizenship-for-vote scam

Suhaizan added that the bus drivers' contract was to end at 1pm, Oct 12, which he said implied that the course would only last five hours - from 8am to 1pm - since they arrived in Putrajaya at 6am.

"If that is true, they had travelled a distance totalling 800km to and from Johor Baru to Putrajaya for a five-hour course. Why didn't they have the course in Johor Baru instead?"

"Why the special treatment for these foreigners by certain authorities in our country?"

bangi resort foreigners citizenship 121011 On Wednesday, PAS tracked the convoy of buses ferrying allegedly Bangladeshis and Indonesians, who were said to be part of a scam to issue them citizenships.

Berita Harian yesterday carried the Sepang OCPD's explanation that the foreigners were at the resort to attend an "entrepreneurship course".

PAS members have however claimed that police presence and tight security at the course backed their suspicions.