

Zuraida unfazed by Shahrizat's RM100mil suit
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Unperturbed by the RM100 million libel suit filed by Women, Family and Community Development Minister Shahrizat Abdul Jalil, PKR vows to expose more scandals surrounding the controversial National Feedlot Corporation (NFC) project.

PKR Women's wing chief Zuraida Kamaruddin said the libel suit will not stop her and party strategy director Mohd Rafizi Ramli from exposing more scandals about the project.

Zuraida "welcomes" Shahrizat's legal move as it will provide a larger space for the rakyat themselves to judge the scandal.

"I believe many Malaysians will come forward and work with us to bring out more evidence and become witnesses in the case.

"After the news broke, many people offered to provide us with more information that is new to us," she told a press conference at the party headquarters today.

However, Zuraida refused to divulge any detail about the "new information", saying it is best to keep it until they reveal it in court.

She said PKR would continue its national exposure campaign - dubbed the '1Malaysia Cow Scandal' - until every single sen of the people's money is returned to the rakyat.

'No right to stop us speaking'

"Shahrizat has no right to stop us speaking. As a member of parliament, I have the right to defend and fight for the rakyat in this issue.

"In or outside of the Dewan Rakyat, I will continue to speak for the people," the Ampang MP added.

She said the libel suit has shown that Shahrizat is now in a desperate situation and the suit, she added, would bring the Umno Wanita chief closer to her political career's exit door.

"Our allegations are against NFC, not Shahrizat. That's why we are wondering why the suit is from Shahrizat and not NFC."

Yesterday, the embattled minister filed her lawsuit against Zuraida and Rafizi in the Kuala Lumpur High Court, claiming the duo had libelled and slandered her.

She is seeking RM50 million as general damages and another RM50 million as aggravated and exemplary damages.