

PKR gives MACC two weeks to act against NFC head
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PKR has given the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) two weeks to arrest and charge National Feedlot Corporation (NFC) chairperson Mohamad Salleh Ismail over a bribery allegation.

Failing this, the opposition party has threatened to pressure the government to set up a royal commission of inquiry (RCI) into the possibility that the MACC is protecting NFC.

NONEYesterday, PKR had revealed a police report in which businessman Shamsubahrin Ismail (left) had claimed to have been pressured to pay bribes to put the police off investigations into scandals involving the NFC.

While Shamsubahrin has named Salleh as having instigated this, the latter has dismissed the claim.

Taking this further, PKR Subang MP R Sivarasa and Wanita chief Zuraida Kamaruddin lodged a report today at the Kuala Lumpur MACC office.

Their report is based on claims by businessman Shamsubahrin Ismail that Salleh had asked him to bribe the police as inducement to call off the on-going probe into the NFC.

NONEZuraida said the MACC, which had arrested Shamsubahrin on Dec 22 last year, has been holding his mobile phone in which text-messages from Salleh are stored.

She therefore questioned the MACC's failure to act against Salleh up to now.

PKR, she added, will next lodge a report at the MACC headquarters in Putrajaya.

'Cops should be probed as well'

Sivarasa claimed that several other personnel of NFC had repeatedly sent text-messages to Shamsubahrin, ordering him to bribe the police. However, he declined to reveal the names of those allegedly involved.

NONEHe said the RCI, if set up, should also investigate the conduct of the police.

"We put a challenge to MACC to investigate Salleh (left) just as Shamsubahrin was investigated, and to arrest and charge Salleh," he told reporters.

Sivarasa said PKR supports DAP leader Lim Kit Siang's intention to set up a RCI to look into alleged abuse of a RM250 million government soft loan to NFC, if Pakatan Rakyat takes over Putrajaya..

Shamsubahrin, who has been charged with four counts of cheating, is being remanded at Sungai Buloh prison as he has refused to post bail for reasons of personal safety.