

Stop harassing Jessie Ooi, says MCA
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MCA has called on netizens to “stop personal attacks” on its Selangor Beliawanis chief Jessie Ooi, widely ticked off for her aggressive manner in asking a question during the MCA-DAP leaders’ debate last Saturday.

“Netizens and bloggers should not be excessively obsessed with or speculate on the subject of Ooi’s question, so as to keep the focus of the debate on the debaters,” said Wanita MCA Beliawanis chief Tee Hooi Ling.

Ooi caught public attention for the manner in which she posed a question to Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng during his debate in Kuala Lumpur with MCA president Dr Chua Soi Lek.

“The claims made and circulated around the Internet and in public have been widely exaggerated...

“Ooi herself has admitted to being over-excited on that day due to the fact that she was not given enough time to convey her question properly, which resulted in a misunderstanding,” explained Tee, urging the public to stop haranguing Ooi.

She also slammed critics for verbally abusing Ooi and harassing her with Photoshop images that have gone viral on the Internet.

Tee also defended Ooi for trying to convey Penang people's concerns , and reminded critics to not “twist” her questions.

“Such uncouth practices do not conform to the system of democracy in our country and are just plain wrong,” she stressed.

MCA Youth: Ooi the victim

Meanwhile, MCA Youth secretary-general Chai Kim Sen also came to Ooi’s defence, saying that Malaysians should be aiming their gun at Lim for “evading questions” relating to the opposition coalition’s political platform.

Chai said Lim had failed to address the questions posed by the MCA president, but opposition supporters chose to target Ooi instead.

“During the debate, Chua had asked Lim to explain the socio-economic model that will be implemented by Pakatan Rakyat,” he said.

Lim was asked how Pakatan would make Malaysia a high-income nation, but he only gave a brief response, with no clear elaboration of its strategy, he said.

However, Ooi became the “victim”, lamented Chai, who went on to accuse Pakatan supporters of stooping to “dirty tactics” to protect Lim.

“Instead of wasting their time insulting and criticising Ooi, Pakatan should sit down and focus on its social-economic model of governance.

“Even though the debate is over, Pakatan cannot hide the fact that it is lacking in ideas on how to govern the nation,” said Chai.

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