

Why not get a court order to restrain gangsters?

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FREE YOURSAY 'Nowadays, it it the job of the police to get a court order if members of the public do not follow their 'advice'?'

Police get court order, Dataran off-limits for 4 days

your sayKim Quek: Come to think of it, this court order is really stupid. Dataran Merdeka is so small and the anticipated crowd is so huge that whether there is or isn't a court order, the vast majority of participants will still have to stay outside the square anyway.

Now, by having this contemptible and disgusting court order, PM Najib Razak not only suffers a severe blow to his image and electoral support, it will also trigger an avalanche of the middle ground towards the opposition camp.

What an unexpected windfall for Pakatan Rakyat. It looks like Najib will have to shelve his polling date again.

Anonymous_3e06: Dataran Merdeka has become Umno property, like the timberland and the grasslands.

When you have Election Commission (EC) leaders who are Umno members, what do you expect? Did the yang di-Pertuan Agong make a mistake by not checking their backgrounds, or did Umno tell him what to do?

Onyourtoes: For four days, you fellows will shut all the roads leading to Dataran. Now you tell me how much more inconvenience you morons have caused to Malaysians? We only asked for two hours.

Ferdtan: After what happened in last year's Bersih 2.0 rally, when the police used force on the peaceful protesters, they were condemned not only in the country but around the world.

Therefore, this time they cannot repeat the same detestable strong-arm tactics. This time they would be overwhelmed by the huge crowds.

Be peaceful, don't give the police any reason to react. Watch out for agent provocateurs.

JooGuan: Hmm... nowadays is it the job of the police to get a court order if members of the public are not following their "advice"?

Why don't the police get a court order to restrain the gangsters from running the underworld? Or better still to restrain them at home, so as not to hurt others?

Smartvoters: So everything in Malaysia is upside down. The home minister (Hishammuddin Hussein) said Bersih 3.0 is not a security threat but the police and the magistrate say it is.

Which is which? What kind of government is this BN government with Najib as its leader?

The magistrate did not even bother or have the courtesy to give the Bersih 3.0 co-chairpersons and organisers the right of hearing before making his decision. How can a court act so arbitrarily like that?

Free And Fair Election: I'm going to Bersih 3.0! That's my right. No one's going tell me where I can and where I cannot go. With or without a court order.

Joker: Is it legal or logical to issue a restraining order to 'the public'? The courts and the police are all public servants.

Now, with this court order, 'the public', the masters, cannot be at Dataran Merdeka because a public servant magistrate has empowered the public servant police to catch and lock up any public masters around an area popular among tourists.

Cannon: A peaceful sit-in of two hours will at the most take another five hours for traffic redirection before and after the rally.

To stop this gathering, the police lock down Dataran Merdeka for four days. So who is the real culprit causing traffic jams? Yet, this dastardly regime can use this lame excuse to stop Bersih 3.0 from meeting at Dataran Merdeka.

Justice Kini: The court has only given to Bersih this order, not to all the common people. The police will identify Bersih by the yellow T-shirts. Bersih now has to think out of the box.

And Bersih's S Ambiga will be risking real hard time just for asking for clean and fair elections to serve justice. The police are using the iron fist, using all agencies from Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) and now the court, just to please their political masters.

Is there any option, if possible, to seek a higher court to make the ruling null and void based on the recently-passed Peaceful Assembly Bill? Strategise your act. What may happen is that Umno will truly lose in the election.

Borg Kinaulu: What's the point of all this legal manoeuvres? Getting a court order like this doesn't make the government's action constitutional, nor will it gain merit in the court of public opinion.

Umno is only looking for excuses to act nasty but is it really justifiable to use violence on peaceful demonstrators? Just because it is so-called "illegal", by procedure?

BN politicians are expert at playing with the letter of the law. Unfortunately, a country can't be ruled by words alone.

Loo Soon Fatt: People are getting angry due to the inconsistent manner of the government's handling of Bersih. The home minister flip-flopped and passed the buck around and now the KL mayor has thrown the ball back to the police, saying it is a security issue.

This sort of behaviour is disgusting and more people have now decided to come out in full force. They just want to show the powers-that-be their two fingers tomorrow.

Joseph Lee: The Inland Revenue Board is reminding us to pay our taxes by the end of this month. I will take a walk through Dataran Merdeka to go to the post office in Dayabumi to mail my cheque, unless prevented from doing so by the police.

