

## **Selangor voices support for assaulted journalists**

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The Selangor government leadership has joined several journalism organisations to condemn the police brutality on journalists during the Bersih 3.0 rally by donning yellow wristbands today.

MB Khalid Ibrahim, senior exco member Teresa Kok, and exco members Ean Yong Hian Wah and Yaakob Sapari, who were at a state government press conference today, donned yellow wristbands at the request of the journalists present.

NONEThe members of the press were cutting bands from yellow fabric prior to the press conference and distributing them to colleagues from all media outlets.

“Tomorrow is World Press Freedom Day. We will wear black and tie yellow wristbands to show our solidarity with the assaulted journalists,” said the Selangor Times journalist who promoted the initiative.

Commenting on the police brutality, Khalid said he felt sorry for the journalists but could not agree with the assaults.

He said it is high time for all segments of society to come together “to invoke changes”.

“You (journalists) add value to the knowledge of the society, so that they can make better decisions.

“Without a free press, there would not be an informed society,” he said.

NONEMeanwhile, Khalid denied claims that schools in Selangor are teaching the students to go against the BN-led federal government.

“We can’t even enter schools, how do you think we can issue such a directive?” he said.

He also denied a report in Utusan Malaysia that mosque committee elections in Selangor were tainted with phantom voters to ensure the victory of Pakatan-favoured candidates.

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