

More than ever, we need the IPCMC
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VOXPOP 'There's a pressing need for an independent body to check lawlessness within the police force and the abuse of detainees in custody.'

Bersih protester 'forced' to sign confession

vox populi small thumbnail Cannon: The civil society and Pakatan Rakyat should spearhead a campaign for the establishment of the Independent Police Complaints and Misconduct Commission (IPCMC).

There's a pressing need for an independent body to check lawlessness within the police force and the abuse of detainees in police custody. The Umno-BN regime will not set up the IPCMC as it needs a biased and crooked police force to do its bidding.

The IPCMC will resonate with the people, and will be good for the image of the police in the long run as it will help weed out the bad hats in our police force.

Don't Play-Play: After breaking the law and causing chaos and damages to public property, Bersih 3.0 protester Mohd Safuan Mamat expects to be treated like a king from the same authority that he had allegedly attacked?

There must be something wrong with his head. The moral of the story is never to subscribe to herd mentality and act foolish.

Rakyat Malaysia: It is the right of Malaysians to walk and voice our thoughts in a peaceful way.

It is our right to be protected and not bullied by gangster police officers. The one who acted foolish was our police force.

The one who created chaos was our police force. Even if the suspect was guilty, the police have no right to beat him up.

Seeker99: All the 141 people listed by the police ought to meet up and go to the police station together with the aid of lawyers for their statements to be taken.

Then the police would have no chance to do any hanky panky.

Sarajun Hoda: What has our country come to? Malaysia has turned to chaos. The rule of law favours the mighty.

BN has lost its right to rule Malaysia. The police probably need new leadership.

What about the good police officers, they have nothing to say? Where is their compassion? Have they no loved ones?

Mahathir: Bar Council has become political party

Starr: If the Bar Council can be likened to an 'opposition party' because they sided with the opposition over Bersih, then by the same token, the Election Commission (EC), the judiciary, the police, the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), the Attorney-General's Chambers, DBKL (Kuala Lumpur City Hall) and the whole lot of the government departments can be likened to Umno-friendly political parties.

As a professional body charged with upholding justice and safeguarding the constitution of the country, the Bar Council is duty bound to stand up and be counted in speaking out for freedom, democracy and justice in the country and defending the defenseless.

There's absolutely nothing wrong in acting the way as it did in defending the constitutional rights of its subjects.

Dr Mahathir Mohamad is biased and unfair in criticising the Bar Council which has been exemplary in discharging its duties. The rakyat should just take his criticisms of the council with a pinch of salt.

Confused: It appears that any party that has an opinion or a view not in favour of the government, will be considered as the opposition or has a political agenda.

This government just needs to learn how to accept criticism and not to suppress the rakyat's view.

Dingy: Dr M, you point a finger at Bar Council, four fingers point back at you. The Bar Council is fighting for the protesters who were assaulted by the police. If it doesn't speak for these victims, who will?

Individuals cannot fight the police or cabinet ministers. The Bar Council, as a group of lawyers, can.

Armageddon: Tun Dr M said, "The Bar Council should concentrate more on the profession".

That is exactly what they are doing, fighting for fair elections. Being lawyers, it is their duty to ensure rakyat respect the law. And Tun says cheating in election is politics.

Onyourtoes: Commenting and criticising the government is the job of all dutiful citizens and organisations, more so if the criticisms were on human rights abuses.

Bar Council members are lawyers whose job is to ensure rule of law, and protect fundamental liberties and human rights.

It is the job of the Bar Council to criticise and they need not be a political party to do so. Any government which behaves like the Umno-BN government would attract the criticism of the Bar Council.

Khairul Said: As long as anyone goes against Mahathir, his wealthy sons and all his wealthy associates, they are bad.

For him, anyone who is fighting for truth, justice and fair play are bad people. That's the world Malaysians have been taught to live for 22 horrible years.

Shanandoah: What must the Bar Council do? Sit and watch all the laws being broken in the country and don't raise a finger at all the ugly things going on in the country.

This man wrecked the judiciary and now he wants another Bar council. Is it to justify his wicked deeds?

Anonymous #63753867: Alternative Bar Council? What the country urgently needs is an alternative government.

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