

## **PKR member lodges graft report against Khalid**

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A member of Selangor Menteri Besar Abdul Khalid Ibrahim's PKR division today lodged a report against the MB for alleged misappropriation of the division's funds amounting to about RM20,000.

In an interview published by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission's (MACC) official Youtube channel, Airos Shahidin Manaf said the report was lodged as no explanation was forthcoming after the issue was raised in the division annual general meeting six months ago.

The report against Abdul Khalid, who is the Kuala Selangor PKR division chief, signals further grassroots dissatisfaction which may push him to leave his state constituency Ijok.

"I feel there is a misappropriation of funds. My report is against the division chief (Abdul Khalid)... but I feel that the committee members and the treasurer may also be involved," Airos said after lodging the report.

"The amount, if I am not mistaken, is more than RM20,000. That's the amount that I know, but there may be more that I have no knowledge of."

Airos (in blue shirt), however, denies that he is backed by Umno, insisting that he is a "genuine" PKR member who is doing this to ensure that the party is administered in a transparent manner.

"It's the right time to clean up the division's administration. We are true party people who have fought for the party.

"We don't want to be likened to (members of) other parties who have been tolerating wrongdoings all this while. We want to correct things," he said.

He added that there are others in the division who are "dissatisfied" with Abdul Khalid's leadership but are "too scared to uphold the truth".

'Khalid insensitive to the disabled'

Probed by the interviewer in what appeared to be an MACC in-house production, Airos said that Abdul Khalid does visit Kuala Selangor, but had done things which have "hurt (Airos') feelings".

"He once said, 'You're disabled, so how can you be a contractor?' This is not just discriminating against me, but to all people with disabilities as well," said Airos, who was shown to require crutches to walk.

He was also asked if the division members support Abdul Khalid (left) to remain as MB. To this, he said, "That is a mandate which can only be given by society, so we leave it to society".

Other videos on the channel are interviews with a resident's association representative who lodged a report against Teratai assemblyperson Jenice Lee - a former DAP member - on alleged swindling of funds by the party, and carpet trader Deepak Jaikishan after he submitted evidence on the controversial second statutory declaration (SD2) by private investigator P Balasubaraniam.

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