

## **'Najib, even the non-Chinese abandoned MCA'**

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Instead of putting the blame on Chinese voters, BN chairperson Najib Abdul Razak, should also ask why Malays did not support MCA as even Malays and Indian votes shifted to Pakatan Rakyat in the recently concluded general election.

DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng said not only the Chinese do not support MCA, but even Malay voters would not vote for the party led by Chua Soi Lek.

NONE"By continuing to blame Chinese voters or claim that Chinese voters were misled by DAP to vote against BN, Najib (right) is showing contempt not only for democratic rights of freedom of choice but also insulting the intelligence of all Malaysian voters.

"Sunday's general election saw a Malaysian tsunami causing Pakatan to win the popular vote of 51 percent for the first time in history. Despite gathering more votes than BN from support by all communities, BN continues to blame the Chinese voters.

"The Chinese form only 25 percent of Malaysia's 29 million population of which less than half have registered to vote," said Lim.

BN polled 5.237 million votes for the 222 Parliament seats against Pakatan parties that had a combined 5.623 million ballots.

The three-party pact of PKR, PAS and the DAP also surpassed BN in the state seats, pulling in 4.879 million votes to the 13-member BN coalition's 4.513 million ballots.

Lim questioned how could the Chinese which form only 25 percent of the total votes, resulted in Pakatan raising its popular votes by 51 percent. "Who are the remaining 26 percent if not the Malays, Indians Kadazans and Ibans?"

Hence, he suggested Najib and BN should study why even Malay and Indian voters are not willing to vote for MCA or BN.

Increase in popular vote

Lim also said that Pakatan popular vote had also increased by 7.7 percent, from 58 percent which it recorded in 2008.

NONEThe increase to 65.7 percent in popular votes also debunks Najib's claim that Pakatan only receives Chinese support in Penang.

In analyzing the results, Lim (left) who is also Penang chief minister, said in terms of parliamentary seats, Pakatan had also increased its popular support from 63 percent in 2008.

For parliamentary seats Pakatan increased its share by four percent from 63 percent in the 2008 general elections to 67 percent this time around. BN only received 31 percent. The balance are spoilt votes.

Lim said the increase in popular vote for Pakatan can only be attributed to increasing support from all communities in Penang the Chinese, Indian and Malays.

Even though there was a marked increase in support from Chinese and Indian voters, there was also a slight increase in Malay support.

"Otherwise how could a state with more than 35 percent Malay voters give a 66 to 67 percent popular support for Pakatan for both parliamentary and state seats," he asked.

"As it is impossible to win 100 percent support from both Indians and Chinese, the marked increase in popular vote and majorities can only come from increase in support from Malay voters."

NONEThe chief minister added that the majorities increased by 86 percent for parliamentary seats and a whopping 164 percent for state seats this general elections as compared to 2008.

The facts, he said show clearly that Pakatan won in Penang as a result of increased support from all communities.

"Malays and non-Malays are not as stupid as BN thinks, to believe its racial line. The people will reject the politics of racial confrontation of BN and adopt the politics of collaboration of Pakatan."

Despite this, he said Penang Pakatan will be fair to all regardless of race, religion and political affiliation, including BN supporters as promised in his oath taking ceremony.

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