

'So you think this is your father's country?'

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PKR de facto leader Anwar Ibrahim has described the statement urging those unhappy with the May 5 general election results to leave the country as an insult to Malaysians.

seremban black rally 180513 01"So you think this is your father's country? This is an insult to the people," said Anwar during his speech at the Negri Sembilan leg of the Black 505 rally in Seremban last night, which was attended by 30,000 Pakatan Rakyat supporters.

He was commenting on the statement made by newly sworn-in Home Minister Ahmad Zahid Hamidi in an opinion piece published by Utusan Malaysia on Thursday.

Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng had yesterday lashed out at Zahid's statement, saying the new home minister's statement was preposterous.

However, newly-minted Youth and Sports Minister Khairy Jamaluddin has attempted to soothe public outrage over the statement.

He said the statement was Zahid's personal opinion and not that of the cabinet.

Ahmad's 'sodomise' article slammed

Asserting that home minister's statement was "stupid", Anwar also slammed another opinion piece by Deputy Finance Minister Ahmad Maslan, which appeared in the same paper a day after Zahid's article was published.

black 505 rally seremban crowdAccording to Anwar, Ahmad's use of the word 'sodomise' in his article to dismiss the number of popular votes garnered by Pakatan, which was higher than BN, was "obscene".

"Another Umno minister says 'Anwar, don't sodomise the people's thinking'. (This is) an obscene way to insult the people's thinking," said Anwar.

Ahmad is his article reminded Pakatan that they should understand the country's laws and not 'sodomise' their knowledge when claiming they should form the government based on the percentage of the popular votes obtained.

According to him, the laws of the country determined that the winner of the general election was based on the number of seats won and not the popular votes.

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