

Anwar unfazed by government crackdown

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The slew of arrests following accusations of electoral fraud in the May 5 general election has not spooked PKR de facto leader Anwar Ibrahim into giving up the opposition struggle.

NONETelling this to about 20,000 people at a 'Blackout 505' rally in Kuala Ibai, Terengganu last night, Anwar said he would fight on so long as the people continued to support him.

"The crackdown has begun. We all know who will be their target in the end.

"If these arrests are a signal by Prime Minister Najib (Abdul Razak) or the home minister (Ahmad Zahid Hamidi) to rattle me, I'm telling you now that I am not afraid as long as the rakyat are with me," he said to loud cheers.

Last night's rally was part of the nationwide rallies organised by Pakatan Rakyat to spread the word about electoral fraud in GE13, which the opposition, despite winning close to 52 percent of the popular votes, failed to win federal power.

NONEAlso at last night's rally were PAS deputy president Mohamad Sabu and party vice-president Husam Musa.

PKR vice-president and Batu MP Tian Chua was slated to speak at the rally but he was arrested by police at the Low-Cost Carrier Terminal in Sepang yesterday, just before boarding his flight to Terengganu.

Police investigations

NONEPolice also detained human rights activist Haris Ibrahim and PAS member Tamrin Ghafar in separate locations yesterday.

The trio, believed to be nabbed in relation to a protest rally slated to be held in Petaling Jaya tomorrow, are being held under the Sedition Act at the Jinjang police station.

Since the election, six Pakatan leaders and activists have come under police investigation for separate alleged offences.

NONEThey include Seri Setia assemblyperson Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad, student activist Adam Adli Abdul Halim, Pandan MP Rafizi Ramli, DAP veteran Dr Chen Man Hin, Taiping MP Nga Kor Ming and Serdang MP Ong Kian Ming.

The police actions come under the watch of newly-appointed inspector-general of police Khalid Abu Bakar.

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