

## **EC 'backstabbed' by Umno in spite of its loyalty?**

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YOURSAY 'Focus on the real issue please, Tengku Adnan. The EC gave a lot of contradictory statements concerning the supposedly indelible ink.'

Ku Nan: We don't need indelible ink

your sayFairMind: From day one since the ink fiasco started, the Election Commission (EC) had been deserted by Umno and was left to defend for itself. The more the EC tried to defend itself, the more it is dragged down by its own quagmire of lies.

Not only did Umno distance itself away from the EC, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Shahidan Kassim plunged the knife into the EC's back by revealing that the indelible ink was actually food dye, devoid of silver nitrate.

Now Federal Territories Minister Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor has cruelly twisted that knife by sarcastically asking the rakyat to thank the EC for looking after their health by putting food dye in the indelible ink.

The EC should know better for having so faithfully served Umno for decades - it is being backstabbed by the party in spite of its loyalty.

Rest assured that there will be more suffering for the EC which is going to be meted by ungrateful individuals in the days ahead.

Anonymous\_4196: Focus on the real issue please, Tengku Adnan. The issue here is that the EC gave a lot of contradictory statements concerning the supposedly indelible ink. Hence, their credibility is in question.

Their credibility has been further dented with Shahidan and Health Minister Dr S Subramaniam's respective statements. So if you want to campur tangan (meddle), please give an intelligent answer.

Pahatian: Ku Nan, I can't help but to agree with you. Malaysia is definitely not a Third World country, but the mentality of its leaders is.

Like you, you said that the indelible ink contains too much of chemicals, but it was revealed that it only contains food colouring. Now which is which? Chemicals or

food colouring?

As for the use of identity cards, you should know better that many of these are obtained through illegal means and that's why we have a royal commission of inquiry (RCI) in Sabah to find out the truth about these illegal immigrants with Malaysian identity cards.

So Ku Nan, please reserve the comments to yourself and try not to make a fool out of yourself.

Senior: Did the Health Ministry confirm that the chemicals were truly dangerous? Was the food colouring used approved by the ministry? When?

Have you forgotten that the indelible ink had been brought in to prevent double voting, as well as phantom voters? This is a Third World problem which we have.

Unspin: Technically, it is not difficult to configure the MyKad system to prevent voters from voting twice. The minute someone voted, his/her card would be flagged or blocked by the computer system so it cannot be reused - thus serving the same function as indelible ink.

Unfortunately, even if we have such a system, Umno/EC would think of multiple excuses not to implement it because they can no longer cheat to win.

Anonymous\_3e86: Excuses after excuses! When will they stop making excuses and admit their mistakes?

Obviously, the ink wasn't worth the RM7.1 million that the government had paid for. The bulk of the money must have been channeled to somebody's pocket. I don't think we need to second guess this one.

Joker: Canada, Japan and the United States use indelible ink. Any nitwit can see that these countries are much more developed than Malaysia.

Pakistan, Egypt and Indonesia also use indelible ink. These countries have more Muslims than Malaysia, and Egyptian Islamic universities are much more highly regarded in Islamic studies than Malaysia's.

Malaysia is only more advanced than them in that our EC is much more cooperative with the existing government than the ECs in the other countries.

Spinnot: Countries that use indelible ink are not necessarily Third World countries,

and countries that do not use indelible ink are not necessarily developed countries.

Following this logic, is the Lynas rare-earth refinery "good for the health of the people"?

Responsible Malaysian: Tengku Adnan, you have expressed what is on the minds of many Malaysians. Indeed, our nation has close to First World infrastructure, but is with a government of a Third World mentality.

Hence, people don't believe that our country are disciplined enough to carry out elections without cheating. The government needs to wake up and address the problems raised to gradually regain public confidence.

But personally, I can't see any possibility of the current BN government being willing to change for the better.

Longyan Ren: So we spent RM7.1 million on something that we don't need. Malaysia Boleh!

KSD: Tengku Adnan, let's examine the facts to see if we are a Third World country or not. Crime is rampant. Snatch thieves, break-ins, hold-ups and kidnapping are reported every day.

Our public transport is a joke. Metroliner buses rule the roads and move when they want. Malaysians are forced to buy cars because of this.

Our education system is a mess. Probably more than half of 15-year-old students cannot read and write properly. Many of them join the criminal life because of this.

Our judiciary is for sale to the highest bidders as caught on tape. I am sure you remember that.

The only plus point I can see is that we don't suffer blackouts and brownouts daily. Otherwise, we fit all the criteria for a Third World country.

Not Convinced: KSD, you speak too soon. Sarawak suffered a statewide blackout yesterday.

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