

Anwar: We've yet to exhaust legal avenues on GE results

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Pakatan Rakyat has not exhausted all legal avenues open to it in challenging the outcome of the May 5 general election, according to PKR de facto leader Anwar Ibrahim.

NONE "We still have a couple more applications regarding indelible ink coming up (next month)," he told a press conference at the party headquarters today.

Anwar was asked about Pakatan's next move, since all the election petitions filed by its component parties have been thrown out on technical grounds by the Election Court in various locations.

He was critical of the election petitions being dismissed based on preliminary objections.

"In Ketereh, our petition was struck out on the basis that the applicant was not present in person. I have been involved in many court cases and I did not attend to every one of them in person," he said.

azlan He said the judiciary has given a "worrying picture" by striking out all the election petitions filed by Pakatan parties.

"It's as though a trial is being avoided so that the facts can't be heard in court," he said.

He said the federal opposition has ceased voicing objections to the poll results through public protests, which had been held over a month after the election was concluded.

"We didn't want the problem to become big, (as it has) in Egypt or Thailand, so we chose to stop voicing our objections openly and opted go through the courts," Anwar noted.

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