

Karpal, dreams alone won't get you to Putrajaya
MalaysiaKini.com
Sept 30, 2013

YOURSAY 'There are still many inadequacies existing in Pakatan to tackle and improve further. Work extra smart and work harder.'

Karpal: Conquer Putrajaya before we get too old

your sayAnonymous #69337042: To DAP leaders Karpal Singh and Lim Kit Siang, by right Pakatan should have ruled Malaysia after GE13. For the past 56 years the election playing field has not been level and it is outright unfortunate for the people to have been governed by the same regime for so long.

DAP has done well in GE13. But PAS and PKR must reorganise and revamp now to prepare the taking over of Putrajaya in GE14.

My4HOPE: Pakatan should first go in depth to scrutinise its own strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats before talking about how to rule, as your current reality is as the opposition.

Obviously there are still many inadequacies existing in Pakatan member parties which require all top levels' efforts and attention to tackle and improve further, before dreaming of taking over Putrajaya. And please work harder and work extra smart.

Cala: Leadership is a process to achieve a stated goal, or a set of goals. Leadership is not equivalent to leaders. By being part of the leadership of DAP, its top leaders must lead, train, and prepare the younger party cadres to succeed the older guards in time.

Some of the greatest leaders in history never got the chance to lead by occupying exalted positions. Example: Sun Yet-Sen. What is the point to be another Mahathir who is cursed and despised for his race and racism ideologies? In fact, Karpal and Uncle Lim Kit Siang should be well-liked by the racist and corrupted Umno-led BN regime. Why?

Because by allowing them to speak out for the masses, Malaysia is deemed a pseudo-democracy, a far better position than Singapore which is regarded as undemocratic in economic development literature (Easterly, 2006).

KiaSi-SiamSai: DAP chairperson Karpal Singh, we the 51 percent of Malaysians (who voted for the opposition) totally agree with you, that the current leadership needs to have at least one shot at sitting in the government to form the foundation for our young next batch of leaders that currently PKR, PAS and DAP have.

But we also need the current leaders to form at least a suitable and capable team of members to take over the ministries run by the current BN fools.

JBond: PAS have to pull up their socks if there is to be any chance (of winning Putrajaya), they were the weak link in GE13. More inroads have to be made into rural Sabah and Sarawak. Strategise.

Black Mamba: Mexico took 75 years to oust the incumbent ruling party. Malaysia has 19 more years to unseat BN but by then the old politicians would have been long gone and buried.

GE14 is the deciding year to put in Pakatan in Putrajaya as in four years, Felda overseas investment in hotels will go bust and there will be no more dividends to pay the settlers and they will come to their senses to vote in Pakatan.

Rick Teo: As long as the electoral rolls remain tainted, Pakatan will never get the chance.

Fair Play: Old soldiers never die, they fade away. The sad truth is both Karpal and DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang are old soldiers. They will just fade away before Pakatan can come to power at the federal level. In all likelihood, both of them would be remembered as the harbingers of the downfall of the powers-that-be.

CQ Muar: A candid wake-up call to the younger crop of leaders to take over Putrajaya, Mr Singh. This timely advice comes from an unselfish politician of exemplary leadership. Though both you and Kit Siang will be missed when the day comes in the near future, your past contributions have paved the way for the long-awaited moment of change in Malaysian history.

Given the present topsy-turvy Umno-led rule, change is much desired and necessary for the good of all - be it Malay, Chinese and Indian. May this day be realised soon.

Mohamad Abdul Malik: Well I think Karpal and company have missed the boat. The way their supporters campaigned via the opposition blogs during and after GE13 really pissed off the Malays. And, PAS was the casualty. If the trend continues not

only will Pakatan fail in its Putrajaya bid but the coalition may even be wiped out in the next GE.

This is not to say the Malays loved or subscribe to Umno's 'struggle' but the subconscious Malay bashing in pro-opposition blogs and in Malaysiakini has taken their toll.

Pakatan just would not be able to win Putrajaya without the support of the Malay voters. The DAP and particularly its supporters should know how to differentiate between Malay interests and Umno interests. So far they have not been able to. And this I think includes Karpal himself.

Continue-The-March: Pakatan strategy and blogs do not piss off the common Malays. It is Umno Baru and Perkasa's racist and racial baiting that has caused the rural Malays to feel insecure and threatened by the unknown new government of Pakatan.

A point of reference: former premier Dr Mahathir Mohamad campaigned hard in Lumut and Gelang Patah to frighten the majority Malays to vote against Pakatan, but failed. The reason being the urban Malays have access to alternative media and know the real challenges Malays are facing.

It is the corruption and destruction caused by Umno Baru's racist policy. The majority of urban Malays and non-Malays supported Pakatan. Pakatan needs to break the stranglehold of Umno Baru on rural voters in order to reach Putrajaya.

In addition, Pakatan has to fight very hard to make sure the new constituency delineations and voters' roll are clean and fair for a more level playing field. ABU! (Anything But Umno).

Sunflower11: I don't see the opportunity for the opposition to reach Putrajaya ever, unless we have a 'People's Uprising'. The BN government will continue to steal the elections from the people. We are in a pseudo-democracy, so as to speak.

Podeh: Sorry, Karpal, seems Umno has chosen to rule the country until we are flat broke and then hope to sell the nation as guni kalong (gunny sacks) material to Singapore. If you are lucky, it may happen within your time.

Louis: Karpal, you and Lim are still needed to lead the young ones. They still need both your experience and courage to fight the corrupt.

Copyright © 1999-2012 Mkini Dotcom Sdn. Bhd
Source: <http://www.malaysiakini.com/news/242480>