

Anwar blamed for 'rising Christian threat'

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The alleged threat of Christian evangelism that is "increasingly brazen" is the fault of the liberal influence brought in by PKR de facto leader Anwar Ibrahim, an Islamic lobby group says.

"The liberal influence that has been brought by Anwar and his Pakatan clan has made Christian evangelism increasingly brazen (semakin kurang ajar).

"They are increasingly daring to challenge the position of Islam, the decrees of the sultan, the laws and the constitution blatantly," Ikatan Muslimin Malaysia (Isma) president ustaz Abdullah Zaik Abdul Rahman said in a statement today.

He was referring to Pakatan's offer to BN to sit together to discuss the issue of rising racial and religious tensions in the face of groups in Penang that last week threatened a repeat of the May 13, 1969 riots.

Last weekend Malay groups held two rallies against the onslaught of jokes on Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's now internationally infamous kangkung remark, which has culminated in a flash mob by PKR assemblyperson Lee Khai Loon.

Despite the flash mob being a PKR effort, DAP has been the main target of the protests by Umno and its allies, during which the threat of another May 13 taking place was bandied.

Abdullah Zaik said the incidents did not reflect racial tension, but merely the audacity (kebiadaban) of the "young evangelists groups" in the DAP.

"What's more, (Anwar's) offer of liberalism, freedom and equality has made them (DAP) greedy and they have forgotten their place," he said.

He warned that Pakatan's call to BN was "a pretence" and that Anwar should best work to cull the "insolence of the Christian evangelists" instead.

"Since youth, I have never seen the non-Muslims or non-Malays insult the Malays, its leaders and insult Islam as what they are doing today, especially since the 2008 general election," Abdullah Zaik added.

He said this in reference to what has come to be known as the '2008 political tsunami', where the opposition won an unprecedented five states and an almost clean sweep of the seats in the capital city during that general election.

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