

Shocked by PM's silence over 'money for slap' offer
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Sarawak DAP wants the police to act against the NGO that offered a cash reward for slapping Seputeh MP Teresa Kok.

"It has never happened in Malaysia where a person offers a reward to commit crime," Sarawak DAP chairperson Chong Chieng Jen said.

Chong, who is the MP for Bandar Kuching, urged this after lodging a report at the Simpang Tiga police station in Kuching yesterday against the NGOs which slaughtered four chickens in Kuala Lumpur and smeared the blood on a banner bearing photographs of opposition leaders.

At the protest, the Muslim Consumers Association of Malaysia (PPIM) offered a reward of RM500 - and later increased it to RM1,200 - to anyone who slaps the MP and provides photographic evidence of this.

Speaking to the media after filing the police report, Chong said: "The offer itself is an act of crime that is intended to criminally intimidate as well as intended to commit violence.

"We want the police to take action. We have given them 12 hours from 3pm today (yesterday) to take action, failing which the police will be accused of condoning such acts of violence," said Chong, who is also a lawyer.

"Moreover, if anything happens to the MP for Seputeh, the police will be held responsible for their act of nonfeasance (failure to perform their duty as required by the law)," he said.

More police reports

A rather annoyed Chong said even more than 24 hours after the money-for-slap offer had been made and publicised, Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak, his deputy Muhyiddin Yassin and Home Minister Ahmad Zahid Hamidi were all keeping mum, as if they were condoning the crime.

"It looks like Umno politics and sounds like Umno politics," he said.

"We don't want to see Malaysian politics develop into the politics of extremism. As the leader of the country, Najib should come out openly to condemn it and see that these people are immediately apprehended for investigation and charged in court.

"Any minute of silence is taken as condoning such criminal acts," Chong added.

DAP leaders in Sibul have also lodged a police report against the Muslim NGOs for bloody protest in Kuala Lumpur and Chong said more police reports would be lodged by other DAP members if the police do not take action.

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