

MCA no match for Ram in Chinese-majority seat
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YOURSAY 'Ong Tee Keat, even most winnable candidate in MCA will lose in Bukit Gelugor'

Tee Keat: Is MCA bereft of winnable candidates?

Dont Just Talk: After MCA vice-president Chew Mei Fun lost big in the Kajang by-election, the party has totally lost its confidence in nominating a candidate for the Bukit Gelugor seat, giving such a silly excuse as focusing on the hudud issue.

Who are you trying to fool, MCA president Liow Tiong Lai, the hudud issue is not something new and former MCA president Chua Soi Lek was right when he labeled Liow as a weak leader.

MCA has a pool of strong leaders who are good at bragging in front of the news media especially MCA Youth chief Chong Sin Woon. Let him stand against Ramkapal Singh of DAP to test his popularity amongst the Chinese voters.

Never in the history of Malaysian politics did we dream that BN under Umno Baru would give a walkover to Pakatan. Surely the tides of change and the cry for 'Ubah' is near.

Malaysia Truly Asia: Former MCA president Ong Tee Keat has been knocked out twice by his members and party. Now from the outside he can talk big, but he knows the score just like everyone here.

The late Karpal Singh was very well liked, Penang belongs to the 'Tokong', and Karpal's son is a shoo-in to win.

MCA has taken the wise move of not contesting and living to fight another day. Sorry boys and girls of Pakatan, no excitement for you this time around.

Captain America: Even the most winnable candidate in MCA (if any) for sure would lose. No way can MCA/BN win in the tiger's den. Even in death, Karpal lives on.

Shah54: It is a clear-cut case that MCA is frightened the candidate, whoever it may be, will lose his deposit. This is the only reason MCA is not going to field a candidate.

Louis: MCA, which represents the Chinese, is running away from a Chinese majority area. It is an insult to the party. And there is no greater insult than giving a walkover to a Sikh, who comes from one of the smallest communities in the country.

Liow, where are you going to hide your face? A Chinese admitting defeat against a Sikh in a Chinese majority constituency.

Anonymous: Now you see the level of politics MCA leaders possess. It's all about personal interests coming first, not about serving the people. MCA can close their 7-11 shop (7 MPs - 11 assemblypersons).

Shanandoah: How is MCA to lose again? If that happens, surely no cabinet post for Liow and his henchmen. MCA may never be in the cabinet after this "bye"-election.

Anonymous_3e21: "Noting how MCA had in the past played the hudud card successfully to weaken electoral support of the PAS-DAP pairing, it should fare even better now". This is a quote from the former MCA president Ong.

So it is very true that the MCA excuse is all bullshit only. Even its own members will not vote for BN. Such an embarrassment for the Chinese community.

Homesick: Either pull out of BN or 'tutup kedai' (close shop). MCA is finished. It's on its last legs. It's only a matter of time. Bye, bye MCA. And that goes to Gerakan too.

What4: Hello MCA, Bukit Gelugor is a Chinese-majority seat and you claim that Chinese support is coming back. So why don't you even dare to join the by-election?

Apa Nama: Ong, it is pure common sense that one does not dare to enter the tiger's den. Moreover with current issues unfavorable to one race.

I believe even without campaigning, Ramkarpal will win. The important thing is for DAP to win to send a strong message. Ong, why the need for pretence and drama?

For Our Next Generation: If MCA contests, it will surely lose, so no face, But to chicken out would also mean no face. Either way, sure die.

So it's best that MCA close shop and those who are genuinely interested to serve the community can continue do so by joining either DAP or PKR, Instead of hanging on to MCA.

Rightan: It is not the lack of winnable candidates, but an acute lack of credibility. It will be honorable if MCA were to cite the present political climate as a reason for not contesting. But in politics, honour is not the cause/reason for continued existence.

Clongviews: MCA will not get back this seat to contest in future elections should another BN component take the challenge. The hudud issue is just an excuse. So, MCA secretary general Ong Ka Chuan, please don't bluff. Now, that PAS has postponed the tabling of the Private Members Bill on hudud, MCA has been tricked.

Straight-talk: First of all, it's good to know MCA is backing down from the contest because it

knows it will not get the Chinese vote. Secondly, it's better for MCA to exit the political landscape because they will never win back the Chinese vote.

Apapunboleh: MCA is not a winnable party - not with Umno hanging around its neck.

Lim Chong Leong: MCA has no respect for anyone. The way they came out with this bull about saving their resources for GE14 when it is still possibly three years away is a no-brainer.

To say they must focus on the hudud issue is even lacking in logic - particularly when they can say they will now continue with Karpal's objections against PAS while the rest of DAP did not and could not. So Ong Ka Chuan is really just dishing out BS.

Fair Play: Ong, first ask yourself whether you are a winnable candidate elsewhere, much less Bukit Gelugor as a MCA candidate. If you are not, just keep your peace or ship out.

Middle Path: Ong, forget about it, there's no candidate to stand in this election. Don't delude yourself thinking there is. Would you want to stand?

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