

PKR members taunt leaders at protest
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Some 50 PKR members, disgruntled by the controversial recent party polls, protested outside the PKR headquarters last night, jeering and taunting party leaders who had gathered at the office for a political bureau meeting.

"Tell him (deputy president Azmin Ali) to come down! Everyone wants to hear (an explanation)!" shouted one angry man.

"We keep on fighting, but she (Zuraida Kamaruddin) doesn't. What use is fighting for positions?" a woman said.

Another man lamented sarcastically that they had been labeled as traitors.

"Today I realise that I am a traitor, and I believe that all those with me are traitors. These are the traitors from 1998, who got sacked as traitors," he said.

The protest began around 8pm, when party members from several states gathered to submit a memorandum calling for fresh polls, and for some leaders, including Azmin, secretary-general Saifuddin Nasution, Zuraida, as well as those in the central election committee (JPP) to be sacked.

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The demonstration was mostly peaceful, but those gathered almost came to blows with each other, when Azmin supporters within the crowd decided to defend their leader from the taunts, only to fizzle out when an elderly gentleman stepped in to calm both sides down.

The protesters lingered around the PKR headquarters till 1am, when vice-president Tian Chua, and JPP's complaints committee Abdul Malek Hussein, came down to assure them that all their grouses will be heard, and that a reply will be made by Sunday.

"All complaints and objections that we receive, either filed in a completed form, or even without a form; we will set aside all these rules, so the JPP can hear all of it," said Abdul Malek.

Chua (right) added that the party did not consider the demonstrators, nor those who criticised the JPP, as traitors, unless they lodged complaints with the Registrar of Societies.

As for those who have been suspended recently, the Batu MP says this is only for

disciplinary investigations and that they have not been disqualified from the party polls.

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