

Along with 1M'sia, whither 'PAS for all'
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YOURSAY 'Dzulkefly, you cannot run with the hares and hunt with the hounds.'

PAS leader downplays controversial chat

Casey: The fight against tyranny, against a sitting government controlled by the plutocrats, has never been easy, and never will be.

But Opposition Leader Anwar Ibrahim should be given the credit for having laid the first stone by initiating the popular movement against tyranny - the Reformasi.

Albeit the movement fizzled away with his incarceration in the late 1998, it had, nevertheless, sown the seeds; laid the societal foundation; set into motion the cries for change; and unleashed the powerful voices of dissent from the society at large against tyranny, bigotries, abuses and corruption.

Slowly but surely, the momentum has begun to rattle the aura of invincibility of a decaying BN government with the coming together of opposing political forces, NGOs and human rights activists.

The country witnessed a series of mammoth rallies: Bersih, Himpunan Hijau and Anti-GST. Exposed and laid naked to the world is Umno-styled plutocracy for what it is - a form of domination and exploitation.

Now, we'd be mindful that political parties are organisations of people. Hence, there are bound to be differences in the way political parties are recognised, and in how they operate.

In the case of a coalition of political parties like Pakatan Rakyat; while there is commonality of objectives amongst its component political parties - PKR, PAS and DAP - there are often many differences, and some are significant.

Each of these political parties may have their own ideological core, and perhaps premised on very different ideologies.

But for now, the most important challenge is to secure the country's future from Umno-BN's plutocracy; from a corrupt regime ruled and dominated by the self-serving rich and powerful.

Anticommunist: "Many other scenarios including worst-case scenarios were discussed in

the group," said PAS central committee member Dzulkefly Ahmad.

Please enlighten us what are these 'worst case' scenarios? Is this what your 'PAS for all' election propaganda about? What about your so-called welfare state ideology? Another white lie?

Myop101: Unfortunately, non-Muslims are just convenient tools/fools in eyes of some PAS leaders. Perhaps the non-Muslims would now reconsider whether to vote for these leaders.

The days of blindly supporting the party instead of the quality of the candidates should by now be over. I am sure not all PAS leaders are like that. Dzulkefly and Shah Alam MP Khalid Samad are certainly aren't like that.

Proarte: Look Dzulkefly, you cannot run with the hares and hunt with the hounds. You have to state your position unequivocally.

Anwar played duplicitous 'all things to all men' politics and got nowhere. PAS tries to play righteous politics but flounders every time because its reference point is a fossilised seventh century world view which flies in the face of modern-day morality and values.

The inherent contradiction of living in 2014 and pretending that seventh century values can sit side by side without conflicts of reason and morality is the reason for PAS failing politically and needing to run to Umno, an immoral and debased party and do deals with it.

Negarawan: "PAS cannot be held responsible for the opinions of individual members," said Dzulkefly.

The point here is that the remark was made by a PAS supreme council member, and there was no rebuttal of the remark by other members in the mobile messaging service Whatsapp conversation.

This means that many members of the supreme council plausibly share the same line of thinking, of Islamic and Malay supremacy over other races and religions in Malaysia.

Yes, PAS is confirmed to be a wolf in sheep's skin, and no different from Umno/Perkasa/Isma/Jalur Tiga Malaysia (Jati).

Even if there are moderate voices within PAS, there are too many extremists in the party. PAS, you have lost my vote and I will definitely convince others to not vote for it.

David Dass: We must retain a sense of perspective here. Dr Dzul is a voice to be respected. PAS is the only party with an Islamic ideology - an ideology which they will pursue relentlessly.

Within the party there will be ideologues, opportunists and Malay nationalists. There will be a continuing struggle between the conservative forces and the moderate forces.

Non-Muslims hope that PAS will see beyond the Islamic state and the syariah replacing our constitution as the supreme law.

Non-Muslims hope that a just society will satisfy the hopes and aspirations of all Malaysians. A just society that will address the specific needs of each community and each individual.

A just society that will not be one which is purely market driven where the strong devour the weak and are entitled to their wealth as the spoils of war. A just society that will reflect love and compassion.

Able and honest men will administer this just society. Merit, transparency and accountability will ensure that only the best people get the contracts and the jobs.

James TCLow: Dzulkefly, you may be one of the more level-headed PAS leaders but then again how many in PAS members think like you? Certainly not your president nor your spiritual leader.

Fair Play: According to one scenario painted by PAS central committee member Mohd Zuhdi Marzuki, the party could form the next Selangor state government and strengthen the Islamic agenda through this combination: PAS (15 representatives) + Umno (12) + Khalid Ibrahim (1) + PKR (1) for a simple majority of two (29 versus 27).

With this 'expose', I doubt very much any one of the remaining 13 PKR reps dare become a frog and jump ship. Or am I wrong? After all, the colour of money can do wonders.

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