

Pakatan implodes over the issue of Selangor MB
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YOURSAY 'One wins an argument by countering with valid arguments.'

PKR's obsession tearing Pakatan dream apart

Aries46: The author of this article, Nathaniel Tan, beats around the bush to defend the indefensible and that makes his piece boring to those who have kept track of politics and unfolding events in the Pakatan Rakyat state apparatus in Selangor.

And none of us are paid readers or commenters have affiliations or masters. We are in it solely for the good of Selangor. When Khalid Ibrahim was good, we were the ones who praised him, supported him and voted him into his second term.

But now Khalid has changed and many of his actions have raised concerns and come under criticisms by Selangorians directly effected by the like of the Bible Society of Malaysia (BSM) raid, water rationing and alleged backdoor dealings on water and Kidex.

His extreme responses, or lack of it, some too weak and some belligerent gives the notion of an inadequate autocratic leader succumbed to incompetence and arrogance.

The fact that Selangorians want a change and Khalid defies the state Pakatan apparatus and his party colleagues and leans on PAS/Umno support to hold the state to ransom is rather telling.

Quigonbond: I think it is a big deal that Khalid has not satisfactorily resolved the Bible and water issues. On top of that, there is a tiff between him and PKR deputy president Azmin Ali.

Wan Azizah Wan Ismail would be a neutral party to get this episode off everyone's back and home in on Pakatan agenda and then onwards to Putrajaya. We only have three-and-a-half years left and not a second more to waste.

I don't see how this can be spun any other way to show whether PAS is sticking to principles. They have agreed on the replacement, and they've earlier agreed to common policy which did not include hudud.

It's the conservative faction rearing its ugly opportunistic head and it's time PAS did some internal purging so that the leadership either wholeheartedly join forces with their other allies in Pakatan, or they get out and Umno-BN gets a second chance in reasserting its political hegemony.

If BN regains strength, I'm not blaming PKR. I'll blame PAS.

Takung: As a voter residing in Selangor, I find it difficult to decide what is really going on with all the spin and counter-spin from both sides. My question to Kak Wan is, what will you do differently if you take over as MB? What's your manifesto?

Gunner: For the sake of Pakatan unity, the only option available is to leave things as status quo. Let Khalid complete his term. Or else, BN will rule Selangor again. Mark my words.

Lee Hup: The Kajang Move, in its original form, is indeed to serve three main important objectives - Anwar Ibrahim's political career, a distraction from the Azmin and Khalid spat and to change the Selangor leadership. It is a 'Cruel Move'.

Malaccan: The writer prefaces his article with a false choice. One he did not offer was to put in a more effective MB and one representative of the coalition which put the MB in that position.

He goes to make personal remarks about Anwar and his family without cause, while flinging foul motives on just about everyone who don't agree with his mentor and wants a change.

He denies there is a problem and harangues others on the strength of innuendos and conspiracy theories. He sidesteps the fact that it is simply the right of the coalition to have someone else in the seat if they so wish, for the reasons they offer.

Disagree with it if you like, but don't deny that right.

OZ: The comments from readers here are lopsided, implicating that these people maybe supporters of BN who want Pakatan to lose and make BN stronger.

The masses are questioning why the Pakatan that we are supporting is experiencing myopia. Khalid has proved a better leader as compared to the previous BN MB.

Chris Wong: Nathaniel doesn't know how to play politics. He disses everything and seems to come from ideal-land.

If he doesn't learn how to fight with bare knuckles, he should learn fast and attempt to lead or manage groups of Malaysians before he whines about proper and should've-have-been conduct of politicians. Tactics can't be implemented by comments at the sidelines.

Haveagreatday: I have read Nathaniel's articles on this issue and though it is obvious he is critical of Anwar and his machinations, I must say he has presented his arguments fairly.

I can only hope Anwar will pull back from the brink. If he insists on pursuing the removal of Khalid, solid evidence of Khalid's wrongdoings must be made public.

Anonymous #74150739: It looks like the cybertroopers are hard at work here. None are able to offer a point by point riposte to Nathaniel Tan's contentions. Rather, we see the usual and really boring smear of someone, who has no valid points to counter-argue a point.

The rule of civil discourse is that one does not win an argument by smearing but by countering with valid arguments supported by credible evidence.

I dread to see the fruition of this alternative change they claim to champion for Malaysia.

Anonymous_1371482984: The main issue is that the party who nominates the MB has every right to remove him. If he refuses to go, he is not being honourable. But then again, what do we expect from these politicians?

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