

PKR wants Khalid's head for defiant replies

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PKR vice president N Surendran (below) says his party can no longer tolerate Selangor Menteri Besar Abdul Khalid Ibrahim because of his defiant replies to the disciplinary board.

"In fact, the tone and manner of his replies show that he has no intention to submit to the party's disciplinary process. No political party can tolerate such conduct," he said in a statement.

Abdul Khalid in his latest letter yesterday accused the disciplinary board of injustice against him for the short notice calling him to a hearing.

The letter was sent to the board ahead of a scheduled disciplinary hearing against Abdul Khalid yesterday which he did not attend.

The board wanted explanation from him on five issues, namely the Selangor water restructuring plan, the menteri besar's allowance hike, the business license hike, the Kinrara-Damansara Expressway (Kidex) and Abdul Khalid's own out-of-court settlement of a RM66 million loan with Bank Islam.

"Instead of replying to the charge, he has been writing lengthy letters defying the disciplinary board and the party.

Helpless victim portrayal laughable

"Worse he has made wild allegations questioning the integrity of the disciplinary board and its chairperson Dr Tan Kee Kwong.

"Khalid's attempts to portray himself as the victim of an injustice is ridiculous and laughable," he said.

Surendran said his actions have hurt the party, contributing to the current troubles in the Pakatan.

"Khalid's refusal to accede to his party's wishes and leave office is indefensible, and he must now rightly face the party's disciplinary action," he said.

The disciplinary board on Aug 5 issued a show cause letter to Abdul Khalid, demanding an explanation for refusing to resign as menteri besar.

In his reply the following day, Abdul Khalid claimed the show cause letter was faulty.

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