

## **Angry mob insults, spits on PAS MP outside court**

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As he left the court complex after posting bail this morning, PAS MP Khalid Samad was confronted by a group of angry Malay youths.

Speaking to Malaysiakini, Khalid said the youths hurled insults and one of them even spat on him.

"When I was leaving (the court complex), one young Malay fellow came up to me and asked me whether I am Khalid Samad, the Shah Alam MP. When I said 'yes', he spat at me.

"And then, some 10 others joined him and started shouting insults, calling me a traitor to the Malay race.

"As we walked towards the car, they started shouting loudly and behaved in an unruly manner.

"But they didn't touch me," Khalid added.

Several people also witnessed the incident.

Khalid said he was accompanied by his wife and PAS Kuala Terengganu MP Raja Kamarul Bahrin Shah Raja Ahmad (left).

He added that while there were a few attempts by the group, only one succeeded in spitting on him.

"My initial intention was to hit him, but Raja Kamarul Bahrin stopped me to prevent things getting worse," he said.

He noted that the security there did nothing to stop the mob which continued to spit on his car after he got in.

Khalid believed that the group was backed by Umno.

"This shows that we must carry on in PAS and Pakatan Rakyat otherwise the values of Malay youth will be destroyed by Umno," he said, adding that he will consult his lawyer on lodging a police report on this matter.

Charged this morning

The Shah Alam lawmaker was charged with sedition at a Sessions Court in Kuala Lumpur

this morning for stating that the Selangor Islamic Affairs Council (Mais) be stripped of its executive powers.

He made the call after the Selangor Islamic Affairs Department (Jais), which comes under the purview of Mais, refused to return copies of the Malay language Bible it has seized, despite the attorney-general advising it to do so.

The Bible copies were seized from the Bible Society of Malaysia (BSM) for containing the term 'Allah'.

Khalid's call had also earned him a censure from the Selangor sultan, who oversees Mais in his capacity as the protector of Islam in the state.

Following the royal rebuke, the police initiated the sedition probe against the PAS leader.

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