

Defending Malays not racist, says Perkasa
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Malay rights group Perkasa flays PKR Youth chief Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad for saying that the Umno Youth chief Khairy Jamaluddin's call to non-Malays to respect the "social contract" is racist.

Its supreme council member Azrul Akmal Saharudin said that defending Malay rights is not racism and the fact that Malays are left out of the economy today is not something imaginary.

"Nik Nazmi's statement is like what is happening in the west where anyone who questions the violence of Zionists is accused of anti-semitism to hide the fact that Palestinians are suffering under Jewish cruelty.

"In Malaysia, anyone who defends religion, race and the nation will automatically be labelled as racist to silence them.

"Just like the Palestinians, we will continue to defend the rights of the natives, even if we are only armed with stones," he said in a statement.

In the recent Umno General Assembly, Khairy (right) had said that all Malaysians should respect the "social contract", whereby the non-Malays are expected to respect Malay special position while the Malays must respect the citizenship of non-Malays.

The Umno Youth chief also said that vernacular schools should be retained.

He later claimed his speech was taken out of context by news portals to appear racist.

Defending Khairy, Azrul Akmal also provided a list of examples to prove that provocation against Muslims in Malaysia is not imaginary. They include:

- Online posts inviting Muslims to break their fast with pork dish, bak kut teh;
- Complaints against the azan (Muslim call to prayer);
- A pig's head thrown into a surau;
- Calls to abolish quotas for bumiputera scholarship;
- Reduction of Malay reserve land;
- Equity held by Malays is still under 30 percent; and that

- Average income of Malay households is lower than that of other races.

“Nik Nazmi may be surrounded by power and money now that he cannot see the realities facing the Malays,” he said.

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