Minister: What else does Jeffrey want?
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Rural and Regional Development Minister Mohd Shafie Apdal has asked veteran Sabah politician Jeffrey Kitingan what more does he want over the royal commission of inquiry (RCI) report on foreigners in Sabah.

"What else do you want? You want an RCI, an RCI has been set up.

"You want an independent body in the committee, there was an independent body. You want us to give the report, the report is already there," he told a press conference today.

Shafie was responding to Jeffrey who said that the RCI report was an "eyewash" to save former premier Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Jeffrey had also said that it was “impossible for the government to be blameless” with regard to the ‘Project IC’ when identification cards were produced by the government.

Shafie (right), meanwhile, said that what that is important is not the report but action to be taken based on the report.

“The report is not an ‘eyewash’ to cover up for anyone. Instead of accusing anyone, it is better for us to solve the problem.

“It would be endless, if we accuse people, saying this is not right or that is not right. Who’s right then? You tell us the right thing to do,” he said.

The RCI report released yesterday, although acknowledging the possibility of such a scheme (Project IC) taking place, had cleared the government and political parties of any involvement.

According to the report, syndicates comprising former National Registration Department (NRD) officers were to be blamed.

Last year, when testifying before the commission, Mahathir had denied any knowledge of such an operation.

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