

Prove you're not working for RM2.6b donor, PM told
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A PAS leader has reminded Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak that the people are his boss, and that he is answerable to them.

Therefore, PAS deputy president Tuan Ibrahim Tuan Man called on Najib to disclose who contributed the RM2.6 billion.

"As someone who receives his salary from the rakyat, the PM must explain to his boss the source of the RM2.6 billion that was transferred into his accounts.

"It is better for the people to know who the donor is to avoid accusations and suspicions as to whether the PM is working for the donor or for the people," he said in a statement today.

Tuan Ibrahim (photo) also found it odd that Najib stressed he did not take 1MDB funds for his personal gain, instead of explaining the money came from donations when The Wall Street Journal reported that RM2.6 billion was transferred into his accounts from 1MDB funds.

"Is the PM now confident that the people will believe the money came from donations just because the MACC (Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission) announced it to be so?" he asked.

'Trivial questions need answers'

Unlike Najib, who has remained silent for over a month, Tuan Ibrahim said at least BN strategic communication director Abdul Rahman Dahlan did respond to questions on the issue.

However, he said, Rahman's answers do not mean the issue has been resolved, since there are many more questions.

"Among them is whether it is reasonable for the PM to use a personal account to receive a donation as huge an amount as RM2.6 billion that boosted him into the top 10 richest people in Malaysia, seeing as it could cause a negative perception against him?" he asked.

Tuan Ibrahim also wondered how much money BN spent during the 13th general election and if it exceeded the limit set under the Elections Act.

"If it did, isn't the result of the GE13 invalid?" he asked.

Furthermore, he asked if the funds were not used for GE13 and it wasn't for personal purposes, how much of the donations was left in the account when it was closed.

"Where did the balance go? Is the channelling of this fund into the PM's account not subject to the Finance Act?

"Did it not raise any red flag with the Inland Revenue Board to chase after its tax?" he asked.

These questions might be considered "trivial to those who have something to hide" from the people, but Tuan Ibrahim said the people were waiting for the answers.

"As someone who receives his salary from the people, it is good for Rahman to remember who his real boss is," he said.

Yesterday, Abdul Rahman said trivial questions on the issue would not be entertained.

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