

Kit Siang: This would not happen if Anwar was PM
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None of the problems plaguing Malaysia now would exist if Anwar Ibrahim was prime minister, said DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang.

"Firstly, there will not be a 1MDB crisis, which for the past five years, had sapped national and international confidence in the economic and investment climate in Malaysia," he said in a statement today.

Besides that, Lim (photo) said if Anwar was at the helm, there would have been no RM2.6 billion scandal as experienced by Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak.

He said this is because the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009 has made it clear that donations can also be a form of graft.

The Gelang Patah MP added that under Anwar, there would be no goods and services tax (GST), and the ringgit would be stronger.

"We can go on and on as the list will be a long one [...] It is therefore a great loss to the people and nation of Malaysia that Anwar is not the prime minister of the country, but languishing in the Sungai Buloh prison!" Lim said.

The DAP veteran leader however did not detail how the former opposition leader would have led the country to great prosperity.

Lim said Anwar remained the opposition's candidate for prime minister in the next general elections.

Anwar, who celebrates his 68th birthday today, was sentenced to five years jail after the Federal Court found him guilty of sodomising his former aide Saiful Bukhari.

Critics have called the conviction politically motivated, and both the United Kingdom and United States have expressed concern for Anwar's wellbeing.