

**Zahid: Police opened 84 investigation papers during S'wak polls**  
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The police have opened a total of 84 investigation papers (IPs) on various offences allegedly committed during the recent Sarawak state polls, said Deputy Prime Minister Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

"These investigation papers will be completed as soon as possible and submitted to the Attorney-General's Chambers for further instruction," he said in a parliamentary written reply.

From the 84 IPs, 47 cases are probed under Section 427 of the Penal Code for committing mischief and thereby causing damage to the amount of RM25 or upwards.

Meanwhile, a total of 12 cases are being investigated under Election Offences Act allegedly committed during the campaign period from April 25 to May 7.

Zahid said the police are also probing one case under Section 323 of the Penal Code for voluntarily causing hurt, and another six cases for committing mischief by fire or explosive substance to destroy.

Four investigation papers were opened under Section 506 and Section 507 of the Penal Code, both related to criminal intimidation.

Zahid was responding to Marzuk Shaary (PAS-Bachok) who asked about the investigation papers opened throughout the state polls.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Azalina Othman Said told Lim Guan Eng (DAP-Bagan) that the government has spent RM135.6 million in the recent state polls.

"A total of 69 candidates have lost their (RM5,000) deposit totalling RM345,000," she said in another parliamentary written reply.