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Manjit Bhatia: Political scientist Wong Chin Huat said: "To break the stalemate without breaking democracy, there are only two realistic solutions: first, Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin reaching out to the opposition, whether Pakatan Harapan, Warisan or other minor parties for a Confidence and Supply Agreement (CSA) to secure a comfortable majority that enables governance.

"Second, Umno reaching out to Harapan to gather a positive majority and go to the palace."

Forget the second option. It's a long shot. Too long, too desperate and too many "voters" will read it for what it is not.

Which brings me to Wong's first option - the CSA handing Muhyiddin a majority

to "govern". Three things:

a) Will any such agreement stick, and for how long? What will it take to rescind it, and thus the so-called majority to "govern"? This leads to...

b) Is the regime truly capable of "governing" a country that has been without a rudder and a captain? We're talking not just of a country with a triple crisis up to its eyeballs but an ungovernable beast if...

c) One considers that the regime has demonstrated - and I mean demonstrated - that it is thoroughly incompetent to govern, that it does not know the meaning of "governing", and has shown only its interest in regime survival and nothing more.

Its stunning incompetence is glaring to even a blind person. Everything it has tried to "govern" has turned into sewerage. Does it then mean that if the regime was to "win" a majority that it will by some miracle begin to govern competently, even if it secures a CSA.

Perhaps Wong should look at the government's spending of public (taxpayers') monies, at the regime's fiscal policy, if it has ever had one, and Bank Negara's monetary policy (if it's still buying bonds big time to keep the economy

relatively/minimally liquid).

How much has it spent to keep its crony-infested state firms (government-linked companies) operational while legitimate private businesses are forced to close?

IndigoJaguar7545: Wong said: "But Muhyiddin must behave as a minority PM, not acting as if he still has a majority."

Muhyiddin, it seems, would rather rush into a constitutional crisis than do anything of the sort.

You do realise Muhyiddin has likely been a minority PM since February 2020. How has the minority PM governed since then? Do you believe he has taken that into account?

Come on, you want me to believe Muhyiddin will govern differently now? He will simply be far more foolish, unsure who to trust.

Kim Quek: Muhyiddin is compelled by law to resign when he loses the support of the majority of MPs - it's as simple as that.

Article 43(4) of the Federal Constitution is crystal clear on this issue, and there is

no room for Muhyiddin to wriggle away from this iron-clad constitutional dictate.

Over the coming days, Muhyiddin's acute deficiency of parliamentary majority will become too glaring to hide, failing which, the guillotine will fall when Parliament reconvenes shortly.

Once the PM is removed, things may unfold beyond most people's expectations.

Wee_R_Malaysian: Before this week, the Perikatan Nasional (PN) government was already a weak government, now its fate is sealed where the exit is lit.

A minority government would fear any sort of vote in Parliament where it can be seen as a vote of no confidence.

While Muhyiddin can continue to lobby for support, it's just buying time to delay its inevitable demise. He is clearly cornered, surrounded and without sufficient support.

Now everyone knows we have a failed government with little or no lifespan left. How can it even operate as if it's business as usual?

Jordan Tan: What this country needs desperately at this moment is leadership

and wisdom to solve the present crisis.

Without these two spiritual assets embodied in the personality of the future prime minister, and a mindset rising above politics and for the temporal passing glory of the position of being a prime minister, nothing will work.

Whatever the label and name of the political party or combination of parties trying to assemble a mixture of joint rule until the next election, it is just hope without reality.

To thrive and survive, the country needs true leadership and real wisdom to stay above the crisis.

We have the resources and even experience to make it, but the trouble is, those who occupy the office and position are either blind or mentally numb to listen, receive, digest and understand the voice of wisdom and reason from various proponents who have solutions and answers to solve the crisis.

They are resistant to learn, unlearn and relearn methods, procedures and new ways to solve the crisis.

VP Biden: Umno's pullout from PN government has no impact on the ground; the

rakyat are still battling the virus and economic uncertainties.

Verbal connotations from Umno does not translate into actual actionable outcome. Umno has to show its hand on the Parliament floor, the floor that Muhyiddin and his lot have rejected so far.

But Umno can start by sacking recalcitrant MPs that do not abide by its supreme council's decision, but all signs point to that not happening.

The key stakeholders are the rakyat here - the party that can read the rakyat will come out on top in due course. This temporary realignment is a syiok sendiri (deluded) exercise, minority government or not.

Pakatan Harapan has to sit this one out for the long-term benefit.

Raja Chulan: Indeed, while the politicians and political parties are looking at potential coalition and getting the numbers, the rakyat are left to deal with the dire consequences of Covid-19 (life and livelihood) and the country's failing economy.

The politicians' priorities and that of the rakyat's are on different tracks. While PN, Muhyiddin and his gang of Umno warlords, as well as PAS, have all messed up

the country, the opposition, too, under Anwar Ibrahim have not to date come up with any clear plan and strategies that are convincing.

Mario T: We have the menacing virus and economic uncertainties to cope with on one hand and have this political shenanigan playing Russian roulette on the other.

Today, the lure for power, position, and wealth has clouded the minds of these Malay politicians who even in the most troubling times of this nation, prefer to focus on whom to topple, how to win control and most of all, ignore the possible doom that may befall us if the national crisis is left to prevail.

It reminds me of a class of youngsters left unattended to have a field day of boisterous ruckus - an undignified lot with low mentality.

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