

Malay NGO rejects open tender proposal
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Malay rights group Perkasa has urged the government to review the proposal to carry out open tender for the sale of strategic land, saying the move could erode "the little remaining assets owned the Malays and Bumiputera."

Perkasa president Ibrahim Ali said the group would object any move to implement the open tender proposal.

The Pasir Mas MP also called on Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) and Uda Holding Sdn Bhd to take into account the interest of Malays and Bumiputera in the development of strategic land especially in the golden triangle near Kuala Lumpur City Centre, Langgak Golf, Stadium Negara, Stadium Merdeka and the former Pudu Prison site in Kuala Lumpur.

Speaking at a news conference in Kuala Lumpur, he also called on the government to ensure that the Malays would benefit from the development projects in Sungai Buloh, Sungai Besi and in 118 other projects which involved the Malays and Bumiputera.

He called on the Malay Consultative Council to convene an "emergency roundtable" on Aug 29 in the wake of the 12-point declaration at the Chinese Economic Congress organised by the MCA yesterday, which among others, called for the gradual removal of the 30 per cent Bumiputera equity and the implementation of open tender policy.

Ibrahim said Perkasa condemned the declaration which he described as "greedy" and made by "ungrateful" people.

"This is too much. The 30 per cent equity being asked by the Bumiputera, represents the interest of 67 per cent of the population in the country," Ibrahim said.

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