

DAP meeting tomorrow set to be stormy
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The DAP central executive committee (CEC) meeting tomorrow is set to be a stormy affair.

The grapevine has it that some CEC members are adamant about pushing for stronger action against Selangor exco Ronnie Liu over the controversial 'support letter' issue.

Party sources said Liu's issue was not settled at the last CEC meeting held two weeks ago, and that there is growing uneasiness among some party members who want the matter dealt with again.

"I think that is why the CEC is meeting again. It is very unusual to sit again, just in two weeks. I am surprised they did not term it an emergency meeting," a party source told Bernama today.

NONE "I think they want some action to be taken."

The party's image was been tarnished Klang municipal councillor and Liu's ex-aide Tee Boon Hock was sacked over the misuse of DAP letterheads belonging to Liu, the state exco for local government, research and development.

The disciplinary committee also severely reprimanded Liu for not managing his office in accordance with public expectations.

A CEC meeting is normally held once a month.

However, some CEC members have played down the significance of tomorrow's meeting, saying this is borne out of necessity and is particularly related to the political situation in the country.

"It's just a normal meeting, nothing special. Don't speculate, you might get it wrong," said DAP treasurer Fung Kui Lung when contacted.

Tee's case to be discussed

Publicity chief Tony Pua said the notice for the meeting was sent out last week. He believes it may be related to the current political situation.

"I am not aware of any particular issue but normally, at such meetings, the members are free to raise any issue," he said.

DAP vice-chairperson and disciplinary committee chairperson Tan Kok Wai confirmed the meeting and said that Tee's case is likely to be discussed.

"It is only natural that we get to meet again as the 14-day grace period for Tee's appeal over the sacking will be over by then," he said.

However, some CEC members also said they expect severe criticism for discussing the Liu issue in media, and because of what transpired during the last CEC meeting.

"However, we are prepared and open to their criticism and views," said CEC member Jeff

Ooi.

The Jelutong MP, together with party advisor Chen Man Hin and Selangor Speaker Teng Chang Khim, had spoken about the issue in the media, causing uneasiness among some leaders.

DAP chairperson Karpal Singh has issued a gag order on all party members over the issue, as it is an internal matter to be resolved within the party.

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