

Zulkipli: 'I was cleared'
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Anti-Corruption Agency (ACA) director-general Zulkipli Mat Noor has dismissed the allegations against him as baseless.

"Let the law take its course," he was quoted as saying in a news report.

On Monday, malaysiakini reported that the allegations, ranging from corruption to sexual abuse, was revealed by former ACA officer Mohamad Ramli Manan in a complaint to the police last July.

Zulkipli (left) was a former high-ranking police officer before being appointed to head the ACA in September 2001.

In his complaint addressed to the then former inspector-general of police Mohd Bakri Omar, Ramli described Zulkipli as a 'very corrupt senior police officer who had amassed substantial property and assets'.

It was also revealed that a housewife had filed several police reports against Zulkipli for alleged sexual abuse and assault.

Zulkipli, who dismissed the allegations, said he was vetted and cleared by both the ACA and police prior to his appointment as director-general.

He also said such allegations were part and parcel of the agency's operations.

"There are a lot of challenges in our line of work. Some people may be happy, some, of course, may not. The bottom line is justice must be done.

"In this context, I do not want to get involved in matters, issues or allegations that have the tendency to tarnish the good image of an individual," he told the New Straits Times.

Charges not new

Meanwhile, Inspector-General of Police Musa Hassan told the daily that the allegations against Zulkipli were not new and first surfaced in 1997.

"At that time, an investigation was ordered. I have asked for the file to ascertain the results of the probe," he said.

Zulkipli served in the police Special Branch for over two decades and rose through the ranks to become the organisation's chief. In 1996, he took over as police chief in Johor before being tapped as Sarawak police chief in 2000.

Zulkipli Mat Noor's career

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| | In Special Branch for 23 years. Rose through the ranks to become SB chief. |
| 1996 | Johor police chief. |
| 1997 | Deputy police commissioner. |
| 2000 | Sarawak police chief. |
| 2001 | Anti-Corruption Agency director-general. |
| 2004 | Reaches retirement. Reappointed ACA chief for another year. |
| 2005 | Tenure extended for one year. |
| 2006 | Tenure extended until 2008. |

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Among the allegations raised in the letter were that Zulkipli owned several business interests and properties, including six houses in Pagoh, Johor.

The complainant also claimed that the police had investigated Zulkipli for allegedly misusing government vehicles to carry out regular checks on these properties and business interests.

It was also stated that these allegations were well-known in the police circle and the complainant had described Zulkipli's continued presence in the civil service as a threat to national security.

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