

**Kit Siang: Remove principal who made racist remarks**  
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PETALING JAYA - DAP parliamentary leader Lim Kit Siang has called for the "severest disciplinary action" to be taken against a Johor school principal who made a racist statement at the school's National Day celebrations last Thursday.

Lim named the school principal as Hajah Siti Inshah Mansor of Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra in Kulai.

"The severest disciplinary action must be taken against Siti Inshah, who is clearly unfit to be in the education service of a multi-racial society like Malaysia let alone a school principal - going against the very precepts of the 1Malaysia policy enunciated by the Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Najib Razak since April last year," said Lim in a press statement Tuesday.

Siti Inshah allegedly described non-Malay students as "penumpang" during her speech at the school assembly.

Lim said what defies the imagination is that Siti Inshah could make such a derogatory, offensive, insensitive and racist statement at an occasion to launch the school's National Day celebrations.

Her alleged offensive remarks have triggered some 17 complaints lodged with the police and the authorities say they are investigating the case.

In one police report, Siti Inshah reportedly was quoted as saying: "Chinese students are not needed here and can return to China or Foon Yew school. For the Indian students, the prayer string tied around their neck and wrist makes them look like dogs because only dogs are tied like that."

Lim asked: "But how meaningful is Najib's 1Malaysia when school principals like Siti Inshah could show utter contempt for Malaysia's most important and richest asset - a model of ethnic, cultural and biological diversity?"

Lim added that if Najib's 1Malaysia policy is to have real meaning, "Siti Inshah should not only be removed from the education service, there should be no place in the public service for other Siti Inshahs."

The MP for Ipoh Timor recalled similar racial outbursts by pointing out previous incidents:

> During the Permatang Pauh parliamentary by-election in August 2008, Bukit Bendera Umno chief Ahmad Ismail referred to the Malaysian Chinese as "pendatang", "orang tumpang" and untrustworthy Malaysians.

> In February this year, the special officer to the Prime Minister, Nasir Safar, labelled Indians and Chinese in Malaysia as "pendatang", and added insult to injury in declaring that "Indians came to Malaysia as beggars and Chinese especially women came to sell their bodies."

"It is clear that the Ahmad Ismail-Nasir Safar-Siti Inshah episodes are not isolated incidents but reflect a deeper national malady contributed no doubt by the communal brain-washings perpetrated by Biro Tata Negara over the decades," Lim claimed.

Lim wants the Cabinet, meeting Wednesday, to put on top of its agenda this issue.

Earlier, MCA president Dr Chua Soi Lek had also slammed the principal's racist remarks, saying the party is "sad and shocked".

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