

Kit Siang: Where do you stand, Muhyiddin?
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PETALING JAYA - Deputy Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin needs to make clear his political stand, demanded DAP parliamentary leader Lim Kit Siang.

The DAP stewart was referring to racially insensitive statement from the DPM who raised the spectre of May 13 in his recent comments warning the Chinese-based party MCA to be mindful of their words.

Lim, who is MP for Ipoh Timor, said in a press statement Friday: "As far as I can remember, the spectre of May 13 has never been invoked by previous Deputy Prime Ministers in the past four decades."

He claimed that Muhyiddin's statement was contradictory to Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's 1Malaysia slogan.

Lim's response resonated with Tony Pua, DAP MP for Petaling Utara, who also criticised the DPM on Thursday saying that his failure to take action against the Johor school principle, Siti Inshah Mansor, has proven the DPM's own prejudice against 1Malaysia.

Previously on Tuesday, Lim issued a press statement demanding "severest disciplinary action" to be taken against Siti Inshah Mansor of Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra in Kulai.

DAP Tony Pua said, "By choosing to remain silent (on the Johor principle issue), Muhyiddin has again demonstrated his reluctance in endorsing the 1Malaysia concept beyond just paying it lip service."

Lim also warned that Umno, as the dominant party of the ruling Barisan Nasional (BN) coalition, will face the risk of driving investors away, reminding again that Malaysia had suffered a major blow of 81 percent plunge of FDI (foreign direct investment) last year.

"What should be the cause of concern to all - including potential investors whether local or foreign - is the resort to May 13- talk or threat in political discourses even during the Merdeka month celebrations," said Lim.

Meanwhile, according to Malaysia Chronicle, PKR strategic director Tian Chua said: "Malaysians are sick and tired of this racist talk which has become more alarming by the day. They are also confused. On one hand PM Najib talks about 1Malaysia and a rosy future for all Malaysians. The next moment DPM Muhyiddin thrashes it - so which is which, who do they follow?"

Chua added: "The time has come for Muhyiddin to explain where he stands - with Najib and 1Malaysia or with Perkasa and Mahathir.

"If he ignores, then it behoves Najib to ask his deputy where is his loyalty and make sure that he toes the line. Malaysia will be torn apart if the PM moves in one way and the DPM the opposite."

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