

**MCA, DAP urged for action against BTN racist official**  
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KUALA LUMPUR - National Civics Bureau (BTN) deputy director Hamim Husin is no longer fit to hold his position and should be sent for counselling and retraining, MCA president Dr Chua Soi Lek said.

He said Hamim did not understand the concept of democracy when he proclaimed Malay rights as a mandate to rule the country.

"He obviously does not know what democracy is all about. In a country that practises democracy, it is the rakyat who determines who rules the country," he said after the party presidential council meeting at Wisma MCA here Tuesday, The Star reported.

Dr Chua said Hamim, who it was reported on a news portal Monday, allegedly used derogatory terms on the Chinese and Indians in a closed-gathering of Puteri Umno, should also be transferred out to a desk job.

On whether the Sedition Act should be used against Hamim, Dr Chua said it was up to the Attorney-General to decide.

Both MCA and DAP have demanded for immediate punishment against Hamim who caled the Chinese "si mata sepet" and Indian "si botol" in the Puteri Umno function.

DAP stalwart Lim Kit Siang, in his blog posting on Tuesday, has challenged the Cabinet to dissolve the BTN , which was under public scrutiny last year when it was claimed to have promoted racism.

Lim said Hanim had exceeded the offence caused by the two school principals which had produced national outrage that the government had failed to take any disciplinary action, .a

Lim further claimed that the BTN controversy was not handled accordingly to the speech Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak had given at the UN Assembly in New York on Monday which advocated for practice of moderation between all races and religions in the world.

"Borrowing Najib's analogy in UN yesterday, the real issue in Malaysia is not between Malays and non-Malays or Muslims and non-Muslims but between the moderates and extremists of all races and religions in the tasks of creating a united, vibrant, competitive and prosperous Malaysian nation," Lim said.

MCA Central Committee member Loh Seng Kok urged for action against Hamim for his incite-laced insults and suggested to charge him under the Sedition Act in which he said in a statement, "is time to put a halt to the arrogance and intolerance of bigots."

"MCA urges that the Kursus BTN be reviewed and if so needed, be overhauled accordingly so that the said course to train civil servants reflects a 1Malaysia outlook of inclusivity and does not become a breeding ground for racism," he added.