

Use Parliament Not Revolution To Bring Reforms
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KUALA LUMPUR -- Opposition leader Anwar Ibrahim should use the Parliament to bring reforms rather than driving a revolution, said Information Communication and Culture Minister Dr Rais Yatim.

"The Parliament is the right institution for Anwar and his friends to bring reforms and not revolution as perpetrated by him as it will give a negative connotation to his aspiration in achieving his political goals.

"Otherwise, the Parliament will be number three or four. The Parliament is the highest institution for us to express any issues and bring renewal to a cause, the law or social structure," he told reporters after chairing a post-Cabinet meeting here yesterday.

On Tuesday, Anwar told over a group of youths in a dialogue that the people should continue to pressure the government for democratic reforms, be it from inside the Parliament or outside as the country was nearing revolution.

As such Rais urged Malaysians to be wary of Anwar Ibrahim's statement that the country was nearing a revolution and not be hoodwinked by his political ploy as it would destroy peace and prosperity.

He said the revolution advocated by Anwar should be rejected by the people as it would be detrimental to the Malay rulers institution, rights and customs, and religions and the Parliament.

On the July 9 street demonstration, he said the organisers went against their words to the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and described it as an attempt to divert the people's attention from problems faced by Anwar.

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