

**Prove That Permanent Residents Are Listed As Voters, Says Nazri**  
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KUALA LUMPUR - The opposition must prove that some voters listed in the Additional Electoral Roll for second quarter 2011 are Permanent Residents (PR).

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Mohamed Nazri Aziz said it was impossible for PR to be registered as voters because they did not possess blue identity cards.

"I don't know how people without blue identity cards can become voters. Take the proof to Election Commission so that it can be investigated," he told reporters at parliament house here today.

Earlier, he received a letter from several opposition MPs asking Prime Minister Najib Tun Razak to call an emergency parliament session to discuss the matter.

Nazri said one can apply for PR status (red identity card) after having lived in Malaysia for 12 years according to established procedures.

After several years, they can become citizens if their applications are accepted and thus entitled to vote. Those with PR status can't vote."

On the call for an emergency session, Nazri who received the letter on behalf of Najib said he will deliver it when breaking fast in Putrajaya today.

Asked whether the session should be held or not, he said he would discuss with Najib and refer to the meeting rules as it was outside parliament session.

Meanwhile, Kubang Kerian MP Salahuddin Ayub who submitted the letter said the opposition want the prime minister to hold the session within seven days from the letter's date.

"We have two issues with EC and the National Registration Department (NRD).

The government has to explain how PR can be citizens and voters overnight.

"This issue is serious and has to be resolved quickly because it involves the dignity and security of the country."

Salahuddin said opposition MPs had gathered proof and would reveal them at the emergency session of parliament.

"We can't afford to wait until early October when parliament sits because we feel the government must answer with full responsibility."

He said based on investigation via the NRD website, there are 1,108 cases in Selangor where PR were listed as voters after becoming citizens overnight.

"This figure is just a part it. We will reveal more if the Prime Minister calls for the emergency session."

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