

DAP Attempts To Hide Their Internal Struggles
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It is obvious that the DAP disciplinary committee is nothing more than a way to wipe out any forms of dissent within the party so as to create the illusion of unity within DAP.

The disciplinary committee's token attempt at resolving the dispute between DAP Deputy Secretary General cum Penang Deputy Chief Minister II Dr P Ramasamy and DAP National Chairman Karpal Singh had backfired when the latter said that he did not accept the judgement of the disciplinary committee on the grounds that Ramasamy himself was a member of the disciplinary committee, thus raising the issue of conflict of interest.

Therefore it is very obvious that DAP is trying to cover up any party infighting so that it will not affect their chances for victory in the coming elections. This proves that they are desperate, citing the excuse of insufficient evidence in deciding that Ramasamy is not guilty of breaking any party rules. However, no matter how much the Rocket tries to hide the facts, it cannot conceal the incompetence of DAP's disciplinary committee.

Not only does the DAP disciplinary committee have a conflict of interest, but they also practise double standards. The hasty conclusion over the "Godfather-Warlord" issue had totally ignored the claims made by Ramasamy in December 2011 that certain DAP leaders had approached him for favours in contracts and projects.

I am curious why after more than three months of investigation, there is still no announcement by the committee? As usual, DAP is trying to cover up their internal disputes from the public by issuing gag orders.

Besides that, I also wonder why DAP Secretary General Lim Guan Eng is keeping quiet on the issue. It seems that Guan Eng is trying to shirk his responsibility and disassociating himself from this problem. Even Karpal Singh, the National Chairman, cannot bear to watch this and has rejected the disciplinary committee's decision. But what about Guan Eng?

If Ramasamy's claims that about DAP leaders who are involved in bribery and corruption is true, then the matter is of public interest and not just a DAP problem. The people have the right to know about the findings of the disciplinary committee. All DAP projects which involve the public must be made clear and accountable to the people.

DAP as part of the Pakatan Rakyat coalition, and also as one of the state governments, must bear full responsibility for their decisions as the people have the right to understand and to see for themselves the efficiency of the state administration and any accusations involving the public's interest must be clearly explained.

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