

Welfare State Concept Used To Cover Theocratic Ambitions
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PAS is being simply ridiculous. One minute they claim to be fighting for a 'welfare state', and the next they claim that they want an 'Islamic state' instead. This is deceitful of PAS, as they are trying to mislead the voters by repackaging their 'Islamic state' concept and calling it a 'welfare state' instead.

Although Pakatan had claimed to reach a consensus at their convention last year whereby PAS will agree to give up their goal of establishing an Islamic state, PAS spiritual advisor Nik Abdul Aziz and President Abdul Hadi Awang had insisted on 25 July that the implementation of hudud was only a technical issue, and that DAP cannot stop PAS from implementing it, stressing that an Islamic state is part and parcel of PAS' struggle.

Therefore, I am curious to know what is the consensus that has been reached by Pakatan? This is because the top two leaders in PAS seem to be talking about something other topic.

Whenever there is a clash between leaders from PAS and DAP, the party will immediately disassociate themselves from their leader's remarks and attempt to deceive the public by dismissing the statement or stand taken by their leader as that of their own personal position, such as the case between Nik Aziz and DAP National Chairman Karpal Singh.

PKR Vice President Chua Jui Meng had stressed that Pakatan will follow the Buku Jingga and said that establishing an Islamic state was only the personal view of certain leaders, and that the welfare state concept has been introduced in Pakatan's Buku Jingga. Jui Meng, the PKR Johor chairman, had also said that there was no controversy in Johor over the hudud law issue. However, if this is true then why is Nik Aziz still issuing statements which are contrary to what is stated in the Buku Jingga? This only goes to show that PAS has never given up their ambitions of setting up an Islamic state, and Nik Aziz has also stressed that the issue was not open for discussion or negotiation.

Therefore, in my opinion, there has never been a consensus between Pakatan parties as all the parties do not have a common direction, and are not interested in looking after the common development of the nation and the people's interest. They are only interested in fishing for votes so that they can seize power for their own selfish purposes.

I thus urge Pakatan to not hide any longer under the cover of a 'welfare state' to hide their Islamic state concept and hudud law, and to stop publishing absurd remarks which claim that their so-called 'welfare state' concept will be beneficial to all Malaysians.