

# MCA to act on high crime rate

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The MCA will raise the issue of the city's high crime rate in the Cabinet and has also called on the relevant authorities to beef up enforcement efforts and patrols.

Party president Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting said the MCA was very concerned about the level of safety in urban areas following the attacks on two Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman (KTAR) students in separate robbery cases in the Setapak area.

"We have sent Deputy Internal Security Minister Datuk Fu Ah Kiow and Federal Territory Ministry parliamentary secretary Yew Teong Look, who is Wangsa Maju MP to talk to Students at the college on how to protect themselves in high-risk areas," he said after chairing the presidential council meeting here yesterday.

MCA Youth chief Datuk Liow Tiong Lai said the wing's Vanguard team would deploy



Khian Yip: Was killed in Wangsa Maju last Saturday

about 100 members to patrol high-risk areas at night.

"We Will work with the police, Rela and residents' associations in the Setapak area to ensure that the people's safety is well taken care of."

Asked whether the patrolling would be extended to other areas with colleges or universities, he said: "We will work in the high-risk areas in Setapak First, and if there is a need in

other areas, we will consider it."

Lee Khian Yip, an 18-year-old accountancy student, was killed in Wangsa Maju last Saturday when attacked by two men on a motorcycle.

Another student, Phang Kar Wei, 23, was repeatedly assaulted and slashed three times on his hands and neck about 15 minutes later, also by two men on a motorcycle, in Taman Melati, 2km from Wangsa Maju.

Before Khian Yip's cremation in Ipoh yesterday afternoon, his parents, retired manager Lee Mook Kwai, 55, and Lim Lee Ling, 43, joined his friends and college mates outside the family home at Taman Cahaya Tasek in a protest against the brutal killing.

His lecturers and friends from KTAR, as well as students and teachers of his former school, SMJK Sam let in Ipoh, who had gathered to bid him farewell, carried banners condemning the murder.

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