# Kit Siang ordered out after defying chair

## At the **Dewan Rakyat**

**OPPOSITION** Leader **Lim Kit Siang (DAP-Ipoh Timur)** was ordered out of the House when he challenged the deputy speaker's instructions to Opposition MPs on going to the media each time their motions were rejected.

Deputy Speaker Datuk Lim Si Cheng said the Opposition's behaviour was disrespectful to the chair's decision which was final.

"If the Opposition is dissatisfied with the Speaker's decision, there are other means to make a motion. Yang Berhormat must respect this Dewan," he said.

The criticism prompted Kit Siang to point put that the provision under Standing Order 43, which allowed the Speaker's decision to be challenged, was useless.

"This Standing Order should not be respected as it is useless," he remarked, prompting Si Cheng to order him to leave the Dewan for not respecting the Standing Order.

The strong exchange of words between Si Cheng and Kit Siang started when **Dr Junaidy Abdul Wahab (BN-Batu Pahat)** stood up to seek the chair's views on the opposition MPs' action of meeting the media whenever their motions were rejected.

Si Cheng had earlier rejected a motion submitted by **Karpal Singh (DAP-Bukit Gelugor)** to debate on the extension of a remand period against a political analyst who was a client of Datuk Muhammad Shafee Abdullah in a murder investigation.

Si Cheng rejected the motion, saying that it did not fulfil all required criteria for the Dewan to accept it as the issue had no element of public interest.

On Monday, **Lim Hock Seng (DAP-Bagan)** submitted a motion to deduct the salary of Agriculture and Agro-based Industries Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin by RM10 for failing t6 champion the fishermen's interest

The motion was accepted and debated by the Dewan but was ultimately rejected by the majority of the Members of Parliament On Tuesday, Kit Siang submitted a motion to bring Deputy Finance Minister Datuk Dr Awang Adek Hussin and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Effendi Norwawi to the Rights and Privileges Committee for their conflicting statements on bumiputra equity holdings.

The motion was rejected by Speaker Tan Sri Ramli Ngati Talib as the two elected representatives had no intention of confusing the Dewan Rakyat

Yesterday, **Chong Chien Jen** (DAP-**Bandar Kuching)** submitted a motion to discuss the teaching and learning of Science and Mathematics in English as he thought the issue needed to be revised. It was rejected as Si Cheng ruled that there was rib urgency to the issue as the Education Ministry was monitoring its implementation. Every time when their motions were rejected, the MPs would hold a press conference at the Parliament lobby to voice their dissatisfaction. - Bernama