

Gerakan: Kayveas losing credibility

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GEORGE TOWN: Gerakan has described People's Progressive Party (PPP) president Datuk M. Kayveas as a desperado who has lost all credibility as a leader.

Secretary-general Datuk Seri Chia Kwang Chye advised Kayveas to stop making disparaging remarks about fellow Barisan Nasional component parties.

"I want to ask him to stop trying to be a fortune-teller. To me, he seems to be like a desperado," Chia said when asked to comment on a statement by Kayveas that Gerakan was headed for doom.

Kayveas reportedly predicted that the party would "close shop" within five years after its president Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik stepped down on April 8.

"Kayveas cannot even seem to get his facts right on the number of seats the party is seeking," Chia said.

Kayveas, who is member of parliament for Taiping, had recently asked for 16 seats — four at parliament and 12 at state level.

However, he stated differently after attending the BN supreme council meeting on Monday, saying that the PPP had an agreement for four parliamentary and 11 state seats.

The bad blood between the two parties began soon after Penang-led Gerakan snubbed PPP's proposal to merge.