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Palanivel and Subra to meet Najib today

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the party.

“If the matter is not addressed now, we will face a greater challenge in the next general election,” he said.

He said the crisis could have been resolved earlier if Palanivel had stepped down from his position.

“But as he has refused to do so, we will fight,” he said.

He said the issue with the Registrar of Societies (ROS) has raised fears that the party would be de-registered.

Commenting on a

moratorium between him and Palanivel initiated by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak to solve the crisis, Subramaniam said it was breached when Palanivel addressed MIC members in a gathering in Johor two days after it was announced.

He confirmed that both he and Palanivel will meet Najib today to discuss the crisis.

Meanwhile, Saravanan said he will give full support to Subramaniam despite reportedly eyeing the position earlier.

The MIC crisis was

triggered on Dec 5 when ROS directed the party to hold fresh polls for its three vice-president posts and 23 central working committee seats due to irregularities in the 2013 party elections.

On Feb 6, Home Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi said the ministry and ROS, being the bodies responsible for addressing the MIC crisis, had decided to direct the party to follow the instructions as stated in the Societies Act 1966, Section 3A, to hold fresh elections for all office-bearers.