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Najib: Dr M-Kit Siang partnership height of hypocrisy

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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak has slammed the political partnership between Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia (PPBM) chairman Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad and DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang.

Speaking at the 63rd MCA annual general assembly yesterday, Najib, who is also Barisan Nasional chairman, questioned the sincerity of the partnership between former enemies Dr Mahathir and Lim.

“You think Lim really likes Dr Mahathir? You think Dr Mahathir really likes Lim?”

“Dr Mahathir once openly said that Lim was racist, anti-Malay and anti-Islam. Lim has accused Dr Mahathir of being a dictator, practising cronyism and much more.

“This is politics of hypocrisy at its highest... How can we believe in a political pact based on hypocrisy?”

Najib said the people could not afford to put their future on the line by relying on a political pact that had no elements of sincerity.

He stressed that BN, as the ruling coalition, would continue to work hard for all Malaysians.

“Let them play politics of hate, but BN will work and deliver for the people and the country.”

At the inaugural Pakatan Harapan convention on Saturday, Dr Mahathir had announced that PPBM would join Pakatan Harapan once issues were ironed out, including Pas’s inclusion in the opposition pact.

Dr M had said that his party intended to join Pakatan Harapan to form a “united opposition front” to defeat BN.

MCA president Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai, meanwhile, hit out at DAP members for being hypocrites and

power-hungry.

Liow said DAP’s collaboration with Pas and Parti Amanah Negara was an example of how it had misled the public.

“The opposition parties are divided. Their marriage of convenience only functions (through making) use of each other for their own agenda.

“DAP continues to fail the community and we will expose their hypocrisy. We want them to be answerable to the Chinese community.

“After all, DAP owes the Chinese community a deep apology for betraying their support,” he said at MCA’s headquarters here yesterday.

He called on the Chinese community to hold DAP accountable for its actions and the damage it had caused.

The opposition, particularly

Pakatan Harapan, Liow said, had continued to sow the seeds of extremism.

“DAP is wilfully misleading the electorate with fanciful, deceptive language like ‘welfare state’, among others, to hide its true intentions, which DAP knows very well, thus providing Pas with an elevated platform,” he said in reference to Pas’s plans to implement hudud.

Liow cited statistics from the Selangor State Legislative Assembly election results to demonstrate that DAP and Pas were “putting on a well-crafted act”.

“Pas did not even win one seat, not even one seat in the 1978, 1982, 1986, 1990, 1995 and 2004 elections.

“In 2008, Pas was able to win eight seats, thanks to DAP, and worse, in 2013, Pas claimed 15 seats. Even today, DAP works with Pas in the Selangor government.”