

Wee dares DAP to correct Dr M

The Star - 7/1/2019 pg. 8.

MCA wants the party to address PM's misconceptions about UEC

PETALING JAYA: MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Wee Ka Siong has challenged DAP to correct what he calls Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's misconceptions about the Unified Examination Certificate (UEC) if the party is serious about getting recognition for UEC.

"If DAP really hopes that the UEC will be recognised as soon as possible, the party, which has 42 MPs, should correct Dr Mahathir's misconceptions about UEC and tell the Prime Minister that its recognition is not related to the distribution of

national wealth," he said in a Facebook post yesterday.

"Does Lim Kit Siang have the courage to do this?" he asked, referring to the DAP adviser.

"Perhaps Kit Siang thinks a by-election for DAP is coming so it is time to make another promise."

Dr Wee noted that there were many timelines given by DAP leaders on the recognition of UEC.

"It changes from 'immediately after taking over Putrajaya', '30 days after forming the new government', 'six months after forming the

new government' and 'before the end of 2018' to 'by 2023' now," he said.

Meanwhile, in a posting on Saturday, Dr Wee said no matter how strong a government was, it needed checks and balances.

"Otherwise, power will make people arrogant and those in power will not see the problem," he wrote.

He said whenever MCA questioned the government, DAP leaders and keyboard warriors would give excuses like "MCA was the same when it was in power" or "MCA did

not voice it out in the past but only saying it now" to influence the public to think that MCA should not monitor Pakatan Harapan and keep it in check.

"Without pressure from opposition parties and the rakyat to point out that the retail fuel prices in the country were not in line with the latest trend of crude oil prices, Finance Minister Lim Guan Eng would not suddenly announce a lower fuel price.

"Without similar pressure on the fund allocation to Tunku Abdul

Rahman University College, DAP would not issue at least 15 statements on the subject to repeatedly explain itself," he said.

Dr Wee conceded that MCA had its shortcomings and eventually suffered and lost power.

"However, does it mean that because the party has not done enough in the past, now it should allow Pakatan to do whatever it wants and DAP be the only party in the Chinese community, so that Pakatan is not subjected to any checks and balances?" he asked.