

JANA WIBAWA SCANDAL

FEB 28 HEARING ON EX-PM'S ACQUITTAL

Prosecution seeks to overturn High Court ruling on Muhyiddin's four corruption charges

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THE prosecution's appeal over Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin's acquittal of four corruption charges linked to the Jana Wibawa scandal will be heard in February.

The Court of Appeal, during the mention of the case yesterday, fixed Feb 28 and 29 to hear submissions from both parties.

High Court judge Datuk Muhammad Jamil Hussin had ruled that the charges faced by Muhyiddin be dismissed.

The Pagoh member of parliament was discharged and acquitted of all four charges against him.

Jamil, in his judgment, found that all four charges were defective, unsubstantiated and vague.

He was satisfied that the charges against Muhyiddin did not disclose the details of the offences committed, preventing the accused from providing further instructions to his lawyer.

It was concluded that continuing the trial would hinder Muhyiddin from preparing a proper defence and render the prosecution against him an abuse of the court process.

On March 10, the Perikatan Nasional chairman was charged with two counts of receiving RM195 million in funds that were allegedly proceeds from unlawful activities, between Feb 25 and July 16, 2021 and between Feb 8 and July 8 last year. The funds had allegedly been credited into the party's CIMB bank account.

He was accused of committing

the offence at the CIMB Bank KL Tower branch in Jalan Stesen Sentral.

He was also charged with one count of receiving RM5 million in funds from Bukhary Equity Sdn Bhd, which were allegedly proceeds from unlawful activities, on Jan 7 last year.

The funds were allegedly credited into the party's Ambank bank account.

He was accused of committing the offence at the Ambank Amcorp Mall branch in Jalan Persiaran Barat, Petaling Jaya.

The charges, framed under Section 4(1)(b) of the Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Terrorism

Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities Act 2001, carry a jail term not exceeding 15 years and a fine of at least five times the sum obtained from money laundering or RM5 million, whichever higher, upon conviction.



Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin