

**EC to display list of 40,000 'unverified voters' from Oct 27**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 25 — The Election Commission (EC) will display the list of 40,000 voters that have yet to be verified or authenticated from Thursday as talk of a snap election gathers pace.

Electoral reforms coalition Bersih 2.0 had listed cleaning up electoral rolls as the first of eight demands although the EC routinely checks the list. The latest list will be made available with this year's third quarter electoral roll at 1,000 selected venues and also on the EC website.

Commission deputy chairman Datuk Wira Wan Ahmad Wan Omar (picture) said those on it should come forward to verify details.

"The verification can be done within a week from the display," he said, when contacted by The Malaysian Insider.

Wan Ahmad said unverified names would be removed.

He added the commission had been unable to remove these names from the list as information received from the National Registration Department (JPN) showed their details to be valid.

However, several parties, especially opposition parties, had claimed the electoral roll was tainted.

Wan Ahmad said the commission would not allow the use of doubtful names because "we have to be fair".

"JPN had said the names were valid, so by law, this verification is sufficient. The EC cannot just remove the names without verifying voter information," he said.

When asked if the voters involved can contact the EC after the period of one week, Wan Ahmad said, "Yes, they can. But they have to provide supporting documents for that purpose."

Last week, EC chairman Tan Sri Abdul Aziz Mohd Yusof said the names were set to be displayed for verification.

"There is information that cannot be ascertained, such as names that differ from the electoral list as compared with JPN, and so on," he said.

"We also want to verify the status of the voter, whether they are still alive or not," he added.

Aziz described the 40,000 names as a small number and that the EC was in the process of cleaning up the electoral roll.

Bersih organised a rally on July 9 calling for free and fair elections but the Najib administration threw a security cordon around the capital city and arrested nearly 1,700 people during the gathering.

Since then, the government has set up an all-party parliamentary select committee to go through proposed electoral reforms.

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