

**Anwar files RM100m defamation suit against three
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KUALA LUMPUR: Opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has filed a RM100 million defamation suit against Senator Datuk S. Nallakaruppan, a Malay daily and its group editor-in-chief over an article published in the newspaper.

Anwar filed the suit through Messrs Daim & Gamany at the High Court registry here yesterday morning.

Besides Nallakaruppan, he named Utusan Melayu (Malaysia) Berhad and Datuk Abdul Aziz Ishak as defendants.

In his statement of claim, Anwar said Utusan Malaysia had on March 20 published parts of the article on its front page and the whole article on its page six.

Anwar claimed that the article implied that, among other things, he was not fit to be opposition leader and he had low moral values.

He further claimed the alleged defamatory words were baseless and published with bad intention.

"I have, through Messrs Edwin Lim Suren & Soh, ordered the defendants to retract, apologise and pay for damages on March 20 but they had failed to do so," he stated.

He also claimed that the allegations were made up to disparage his reputation as an opposition leader and a politician.

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