

**Be man enough to face RPK, Anwar dared**  
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KUALA LUMPUR: "Be man enough to face Raja Petra."

This was the call made by Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin to Pakatan Rakyat leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim after he snubbed blogger Raja Petra Kamaruddin at a scheduled political global forum in England on Saturday.

"If he (Anwar) is a man, he should step forward to face Raja Petra. Why is he so afraid to do so?" he told reporters after launching the Federal Territory Umno election machinery yesterday.

Muhyiddin, who is also Umno deputy president, said it is possible that Anwar was afraid to face Raja Petra as the blogger might have secrets against him and Pakatan.

He was asked to comment on Raja Petra's claim on an online portal that he was informed by the WikiLeaks Forum organisers that Anwar had opposed his inclusion in the forum.

Raja Petra told an online daily that he had received a call from WikiLeaks informing him that Anwar had disagreed to his inclusion in the forum in Kent, England.

He was supposed to have participated in the forum on political global scenario together with Anwar and WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange.

On a separate issue, Muhyiddin described Bersih 2.0 chairman Datuk Ambiga Sreenevasan's threat of holding a "Bersih 3.0" rally as a political gimmick to shore waning support for the movement.

Although Ambiga has insisted on Bersih being apolitical, he said that this was not the case as her trickery (*muslihat*) had been known for sometime now.

He noted that the Government was open to views of those calling for electoral reforms and had taken steps to address the issues.

It was reported that Ambiga had warned the Government of a "Bersih 3.0" rally owing to slow paced reforms and claims of a sudden surge of voters in several parliamentary constituencies.

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