

Perak forms team to probe allegation made against PM and armed forces
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TAPAH: Police will meet Datuk Seri Mohammad Nizar Jamaluddin over an allegation he made against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and top military officials.

The state Crime Investigation Department had formed a team to investigate Nizar's claim made during a political rally in Ipoh two weeks ago, said Perak police chief Deputy Comm Datuk Mohd Shukri Dahlan.

Nizar was reported to have said that Najib had met the heads of the armed forces to get them to do something should Barisan Nasional lose power in the next general election.

"We have received six reports against Nizar and will investigate. We view it as a high-profile case as it concerns national interest although the speech was made in Perak," DCP Mohd Shukri said in Chendriang yesterday.

Meanwhile, MCA Youth national deputy chairman Datuk Dr Mah Hang Soon said it was "terribly irresponsible" of Nizar to make the accusations based only on hearsay.

Dr Mah said the former Perak Menteri Besar was attempting to change his tune after facing criticism from various quarters.

He added that Nizar initially claimed he was seeking clarification on the information from a military officer he met in Pasir Panjang, but two days ago said he had assumed the informer was in the military.

"Why did he not bother to check his information before making such an audacious statement is beyond me," Dr Mah said.

In **IPOH**, state Pakatan Rakyat secretary Dr Khairuddin Abdul Malik said Nizar would give his full cooperation to the police.

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