

DAP vice-chairman against rally
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KUALA LUMPUR: DAP vice-chairman Senator Tunku Abdul Aziz said on Thursday that he was against the Bersih 3.0 rally as it encourages people to break the law.

He said his opposition to the rally was his personal stand which he had conveyed to the DAP leadership.

"I am in favour of us assembling if that is not breaking the law but breaking the law is something that I cannot support, as I myself am a lawmaker," he said when contacted on Thursday.

Tunku Abdul Aziz had earlier given his views to reporters at the Senate lobby.

He had called the Bersih 3.0 coalition organisers as irresponsible' for refusing the Government's offer to relocate its sit-in protest from Dataran Merdeka to a stadium.

He justified his statement saying that as the police was responsible for security, the organisers should co-operate for the safety of the protestors.

The Home Ministry and Kuala Lumpur City Hall have offered a list of possible stadium venues for the protest but the offer has been rejected.

Tunku Aziz said he has spoken to DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng and parliamentary leader Lim Kit Siang regarding his statement.

He reiterated that it was his personal view eventhough he did not agree with Bersih's approach.

"I fully subscribe and endorse DAP's position of supporting Bersih's quest for clean, free, fair and independent elections as well as the fundamental right of peaceful assembly," he said in an e-mail.

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