

Prove commitment to reforms, Guan Eng tells Najib
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PETALING JAYA, April 11 — Datuk Seri Najib Razak must prove his commitment towards implementing reforms and changes by resolving a host of issues before the next general election, Lim Guan Eng has asserted.

The Penang chief minister listed down the key issues that he said “urgently needed to be resolved” if the prime minister wanted Malaysians to believe he was sincere in being a reformist.

Top of the list, said Lim, was cleaning up the current electoral roll to ensure a fair and clean polling process.

“Admit your failures, transform, reform. We need to have clean fair elections. Clean up the electoral roll,” he told attendees at a DAP fundraiser last night.

Electoral reforms group Bersih 2.0 will organise a “sit-in” protest at the Dataran Merdeka on April 28 to demand free and fair elections. Pakatan Rakyat (PR) parties have said that they will mobilise supporters to join the protest on that day.

According to Lim, another important issue was scrapping plans to build the Lynas rare earth refinery in Gebeng, Pahang.

“Stop the Lynas plant in Gebeng. There are so far no plans on processing the residue or waste,” Lim charged.

Restoring faith in institutions such as the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) was also crucial, said Lim as they needed to be “independent and accountable.”

In line with this, said Lim, all public officials needed to declare their assets for the interest of transparency.

“This must be part of the integrity pledge,” he stressed.

The DAP secretary-general also demanded Najib guarantee an open tender system in the award of all government projects, as well as a comprehensive review of contracts for independent power producers (IPPs).

“Have you reviewed their contracts? One way this country can go bankrupt is if failed to address corruption or abuse of power,” said Lim.

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