

Amanah can work with Bersih if objectives the same, says Ku Li
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SUNGAI BULOH, April 8 — Amanah is willing to work with any organisation with compatible objectives, said its president Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah today when asked if the civil society NGO would support election watchdog group Bersih.

He stopped short however of saying outright whether he would support Bersih or not.

"On things we can champion together, we will collaborate, for example on education," Razaleigh (picture) said when asked if Amanah was willing to work with Bersih.

Amanah was formed in July last year to promote the ideals of a civil society in a non-partisan manner and draws its members from across the political spectrum.

Bersih confirmed earlier this week that it will hold its third rally - Bersih 3.0 - for free and fair elections this April 28.

The gathering, scheduled for 2pm, will be held simultaneously at numerous locations in Malaysia and across the globe.

The rally, themed "Duduk Bantah" (sit, protest), seeks the same eight demands from its second instalment last July 9.

They are: cleaning the electoral roll; reform postal voting; use indelible ink; free and fair media; minimum 21-day campaign period; strengthen public institutions; stop corruption; and stop dirty politics.

The event comes following the coalition's dissatisfaction over the parliamentary select committee's (PSC) 22-point electoral reforms proposal, which was tabled and approved in the Dewan Rakyat yesterday without debates.

Bersih 2.0's last rally on July 9 had drawn a massive crowd of thousands to the streets of the capital, despite the government's earlier warning that its participants would be arrested.

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