

**Bersih 3.0 organisers need to realise they are at fault too, says DAP vice-chairman**  
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PETALING JAYA: DAP vice-chairman Tunku Abdul Aziz Tunku Ibrahim who had spoken out against Bersih 3.0 has again expressed his unhappiness that the rally was hijacked by the Opposition.

"Bersih 3.0 organisers are not a group of angels descended from heaven who are completely blameless", he was quoted as saying by *The Mole* news portal yesterday.

He said they should take a look at themselves first before pointing fingers at the police for last Saturday's violence.

"Bersih organisers should accept that there are substantial elements within the rally whose intentions were to create havoc and cause chaos as long as it was possible.

"Instead of shifting all the blame to the police, they need to realise that they are at fault, too. Besides, they are not angels descended from heaven who are completely blameless," he said.

Tunku Aziz, who was Transparency International Malaysia's founding president, said he did not deny there were people who took part in Bersih 3.0 who genuinely sought electoral reforms and were expecting a peaceful rally. "But, as evident, there were people who thought differently".

"Bersih 3.0 lost control of their agenda because their agenda was hijacked," he said.

He said Bersih leaders must answer this question: Who allowed the rally to be hijacked by people with a political agenda?

Tunku Aziz also said he found it totally absurd and unfair for Bersih leaders and politicians to solely blame the police for the violence that took place among protesters and the police.

"The Bersih leaders should have realised that this was how it was going to end."

"But since it has ended in violence, it is always the police who will be blamed."

He said he was not surprised with the alleged reports of police brutality, as "police bashing is a feature in almost all demonstrations all over the world".

Saying he was not giving any excuse for the alleged brutality, Tunku Aziz said "the issue of police brutality will be highlighted by some people just to put the authorities in a bad light".

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