

Report Indicates Rally Participants Turned Unruly, Verbally Abusive
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KUALA LUMPUR, May 1 (Bernama) -- Security personnel on duty during Saturday's opposition-backed rally in the city which descended into chaos had to deal with unruly behaviour of rally participants who were also verbally abusive.

The Malaysian Bar, in its interim report on the gathering, said that words like 'garbage' (sampah) 'dog' (anjing) and 'mangy dog' (anjing kurap) were hurled at police and Federal Reserve Unit (FRU) who were on duty.

It said that at around 2.50pm, near the barricades at Dataran Merdeka, some of its monitors observed rally participants shouting 'enter, let's enter' (masuk, kita masuk).

"The police force then used water cannons as well as fired tear gas towards the participants. The monitors, who were trapped within the crowd of participants, then heard a group of participants yelling 'retreat, retreat' (undur, undur).

"However, some of the participants kept on shouting 'enter, enter' (masuk, masuk)," the report said, adding that some of the monitors observed participants of the rally taunting policemen and FRU at another location, especially after tear gas and water cannons were used.

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