

Government Bears Expenses Of RM1.8 Million As A Result Of Bersih 3.0
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KUALA LUMPUR, June 11 (Bernama) -- The government bears the cost of RM1.8 million resulting from the Bersih 3.0 gathering on April 28, said Home Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein.

He said this in a written reply to a question from Fong Po Kuan (DAP-Batu Gajah) in the Dewan Rakyat Monday but did not give a breakdown of the costs.

Hishammuddin also said a total 967 of tear gas canisters were used at the illegal gathering to disperse it.

Fong wanted to know the number of shots of tear gas unleashed by the police who were controlling the gathering and the expenses borne by the government.

She also wanted to know the number of police officers who were disciplined following the gathering and whether action had been taken against them, and the detailed standard operating procedure (SOP) imposed on the officers on duty.

Hishammuddin said police had acted through a stipulated SOP to control the situation from becoming more violent.

He said two policemen had been charged in court for taking actions that went against the SOP during the gathering.

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