

**PKR Leaders Need To Teach Its Youth Members Civility - Ahmad Zahid  
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KUANTAN, Sept 3 (Bernama) -- Parti Keadilan Rakyat's (PKR) top leaders need to teach and advise their Youth wing members on civility so that they will be civil towards the national leaders, says Defence Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

He described the act of stepping on the pictures of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak recently, with the Angkatan Muda Keadilan (AMK) believed to be behind it, as uncouth and not the thing to do at all to a national leader although they had a different political ideology.

"We may practise different religions and come from different political organisations, but we should not insult a national leader including stepping on his picture as he is the symbol of the nation's leadership.

"I feel the PKR top leadership should teach and advise its AMK members to be more civilised in politics as what they have done is not part of Malaysian culture," he said during a visit with 60 media practitioners to the Royal Malaysian Air Force base, here, today.

Ahmad Zahid, who is also an Umno vice-president, was referring to the offensive incident at the "Janji Bersih" gathering during the Merdeka Eve celebration at Dataran Merdeka in Kuala Lumpur on Aug 30.

He urged the people, especially youths, to judge for themselves the behaviour of the opposition party members and supporters, besides the disunity among the opposition parties before deciding whether to choose them to form the next government.

On another matter, Ahmad Zahid said stern disciplinary action would be taken against any Umno leader or member "who tries to sabotage the party by leaking the names of candidates for the upcoming general election and information on the party's election machinery".

"The prime minister has warned and reminded about this. If any party leader or member conspire with the opposition by leaking confidential information, they will have to pay a heavy price for it," he said.

On preparations for the upcoming elections, Ahmad Zahid said he and the other two Umno vice-presidents, Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal and Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Hussein were assisting the prime minister by providing input on the candidates.

"However, the final decision lies with the prime minister," he said and urged all the BN component party members to accept the decision in good faith in the interest of the ruling coalition.

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