

**DAP says facing corporate heat in Penang**  
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GEORGE TOWN, April 9 – The DAP said today that it was feeling the heat from Barisan Nasional (BN) business interests as it bids to defend its hold on Penang in Election 2013.

Business interests friendly with BN are said to be offering direct help to solve the problems of ordinary voters in Penang, the party said.

And this could sway the votes even in Chinese-dominated constituencies where the DAP was expected earlier to do well.

Party secretary-general Lim Guan Eng (picture) told a press conference after visiting the Tanjung Bungah market this morning that “big business cronies of BN have been throwing money like nobody’s business in Penang”.

“This will definitely have an influence on voters and our members have to work hard to explain because we’re not fighting BN but money.

“They are giving out the money now because they know they will lose especially in Penang, they know they will lose big time,” he said.

Lim said the Pakatan Rakyat (PR) has only one tool to fight against money politics and that was with information.

While declining to estimate how much money was involved in his allegations, Lim admitted that if this were to go on, it will be a “life and death” fight at the polls for PR.

“The amount of money being thrown around is so huge, it will be tough to fight that,” he said.

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