

No democracy in DAP, says independent MP
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PETALING JAYA: An independent MP has claimed that the election process in DAP is undemocratic and that the top leadership of the party is "appointed" instead of being voted in by party members.

Wangsa Maju MP Wee Choo Keong alleged that delegates merely elected the 20 Central Executive Committee (CEC) members.

After the election, he said elected members would convene the first CEC meeting during which top leaders such as the chairman, secretary-general and others would be appointed.

"It is unlike political parties such as PAS, PKR, Umno, MCA and others where the election process for the top party posts involves direct voting by delegates elected from branches or divisions," he said in a statement yesterday.

Wee said that instead of casting votes or a show of hands by the elected CEC members, the top leaders were appointed by the secretary-general of the party.

"By virtue of the word 'democratic' in the name of the DAP, everyone assumes that the election process for top party posts involves grassroots members or delegates, but this is not the case," he said.

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