

DAP Directed To Hand Over Document And Evidence
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KUALA LUMPUR, May 31 (Bernama) -- The DAP has received a letter from the Registrar of Societies (ROS) to hand over documents and evidence to assist in the investigation on the failure to give notice of attendance to party members who were eligible to attend the DAP national congress on Dec 15, last year.

DAP organising secretary, Anthony Loke Siew Fook said the party had been given up to June 6 to reply the letter, adding that they would respond immediately.

He said that in the letter, the ROS merely asked the DAP to submit evidence of the sending of the notice to four specific branches only, namely the Taman Sri Sungai Pelek branch, Selangor; Taman Nesa Skudai, Johor; Desa Dahlia and Ladang Paroi in Seremban.

"We have discovered that four members from the four branches concerned had attended the congress by signing the attendance list and had voted in the party election, another had declared that he had left the party on Aug 16 last year, namely former Sungai Pelek branch head, Tan Tuan Tat," he said.

Loke was convinced that the five people from four branches had lodged complaints to the ROS on their failure to receive the notice.

"Nonetheless, we will hand over four other members who have not left the party to the disciplinary committee for further action," he said.

Speaking at a media conference at the DAP headquarters here today, Loke refuted the ROS statement yesterday which stated that the DAP failed to give notice to 753 delegates who was a valid member and qualified to vote at the party's national congress on Dec 15, last year.

ROS director-general Datuk Abdul Rahman Othman, in his statement, said the decision of the investigation on the failure to receive notice was arrived at after receiving complaints from DAP members who did not receive the notice and was deprived the right to vote at the congress.

Loke said the party had proof that it had sent notices and complete documents by post to all its members who were eligible 10 weeks before the congress.

The results of the party's Central Executive Committee (CEC) election last year had raised doubts about malpractices by the party members when the DAP was said to have failed to give notices to 753 delegates who were valid members and eligible to vote on that day.

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