

'Black505' to go on until all demands are met, says PKR
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PETALING JAYA, May 29 — The "Black505" rallies to protest against alleged electoral fraud during Election 2013 will continue next month and be held every week until all PKR's demands are met, the party said today.

This comes even as Barisan Nasional (BN) leaders and analysts criticised the rallies and called for Pakatan Rakyat (PR) to accept the results and move on towards nation building efforts instead.

"There is no such thing as nation building if the nation is built on fraud and cheating," PKR strategy director Rafizi Ramli told reporters here.

PKR's Datuk Johari Abdul also explained that top of their list of demands was for all Election Commission (EC) members to quit for their purported failure in ensuring a transparent election.

A new set of EC members should be appointed, but only after consultations together with PR and civil societies, he said.

The rallies are also to call for fresh elections in all 30 parliamentary seats where results were disputed.

In addition, any amendments to election laws and redelineation of constituencies must only be carried out after the new EC members have been elected.

PKR announced today that four "Black505" rallies will be held next month in Perlis, Sungai Petani, Kota Baru and Batu Pahat.

Today, Rafizi questioned the integrity of early and postal voting, and showed two police reports of alleged electoral fraud, one from Alor Gajah, Malacca and another from Pengkalan Hulu, Perak.

According to the first report, a PKR polling agent representing Machap state seat candidate Ginie Lim witnessed EC officials counting early voting ballots while he was escorting other ballot boxes to the Alor Gajah district police headquarter.

The agent, Abu Hussin Tamby, 42, lodged a police report immediately to request closed circuit television (CCTV) recordings to ascertain if any electoral fraud had taken place.

In the second report, PKR polling agents for the Pengkalan Hulu state seat had demanded for an early voting ballot box from a Royal Malaysian Police General Operations Force (PGA) camp to be disqualified after the box failed to turn up for counting.

Their police report was lodged in May 14, and the agents found out later that the commanding officer of the camp had lodged a report on May 9 that the box had gone missing.

PKR vice-president Fuziah Salleh today also pointed out a measure by EC to facilitate large

crowds during polling day, where officials would open a new stream within an existing one.

The measure, documented in an EC circular, may enable voters to cast their ballots more than once, Fuziah alleged.

The first Pakatan Rakyat "Black505" rally was held in Kelana Jaya, Selangor, for which PKR's Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad was charged under the Peaceful Assembly Act (PAA) 2012 this month.

Similar rallies have also been held in Penang, Johor, Perak, Pahang, Negri Sembilan, Kedah, Terengganu and Malacca.

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