

Get it right, or we'll lose our best and brightest students, says DAP
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Its secretary-general, Lim Guan Eng (pic), said such a body was needed as the education ministry had failed to ensure qualified students were allotted places.

"As the public has lost confidence in the professionalism of the ministry, an independent body such as an international auditing firm should be appointed instead to ensure that no qualified student loses out."

He said in a statement in Kuala Lumpur today that the education ministry and political parties should not play the race card in this issue. Instead, they should focus on the students' qualifications and merits.

Those coming from poorer backgrounds should also be given equal opportunities, he added.

"Depriving qualified students, including those with a CGPA of the maximum 4.0, is not only a waste of top talent but will also serve to drive our best and brightest overseas.

"The ministry must stop such short-sighted policies that will not only cause Malaysia to lose out but also cause mental anguish annually to our young who are deprived of their future."
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