

DAP to inform registrar of new party polls
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The DAP will notify the Registrar of Societies (RoS) of the fresh central executive committee (CEC) election to be held on September 29 despite not being required to do so by its party constitution.

DAP special congress steering committee chairman Anthony Loke (pic) said they will hand deliver the letter to the RoS.

"Since they have requested a letter from us, we will comply with it. The letter is signed by the secretary-general to inform them we have complied with their directive to conduct fresh polls," he said at a press conference at the party headquarters today.

The party's election to pick a new CEC will be held at a hotel in Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

A total of 2,576 delegates from 985 branches will elect 20 candidates into the CEC.

Candidates for the re-election will be from the same list as that used in the National Congress in December last year.

An international auditing firm has been appointed by the party to monitor the counting process to prevent a repeat of wrong tabulation of votes that led DAP to be directed by RoS to hold fresh polls.

Loke said letters will be posted to all the delegates today informing them of the re-election, and they will receive it by next week.

He said delegates who have left the party after its last election can take part in the polling process.

DAP is holding fresh CEC elections to avoid deregistration following a directive by the RoS on July 30.

The election was ordered by RoS after several disgruntled members claimed that the election in December last year was not properly conducted after the party announced that a tabulation glitch had resulted in the wrong candidate being elected to the CEC.

These disgruntled members also claimed they were not informed of the party polls.

Loke, who is also the party's national organising secretary, had rebutted the allegations that it did not inform 753 delegates of the party polls and produced evidence of members' attendance record, signatures and postal receipts which showed notices were sent out. - September 5, 2013.

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