

Cabinet must reprimand Ahmad Zahid and Khalid for embracing jungle law, says Kit Siang
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Veteran politician and DAP adviser Lim Kit Siang (pic) today urged the cabinet to "repudiate and reprimand" Home Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar for embracing "jungle law" instead of the rule of law.

Lim made the statement following Putrajaya's inaction against a group of protestors comprising several Muslim non-governmental organisations who had slaughtered chickens and smeared the blood on banners bearing the images of several opposition politicians' last week.

Lim said the episode is the "blackest mark for the Najib administration as far as police professionalism and the upholding the rule of law is concerned".

"This is worse than the 'fairy tale' concocted by Khalid about the 'grenade-plot to topple the elected government' at Dataran Merdeka on the eve of 2014 because of a peaceful gathering to protest price hikes.

"Also, the equally preposterous allegation by the government that the Bersih 3.0 rally on April 28, 2012, was a coup attempt to overthrow the government using salt and mineral water bottles!" Lim said in a statement today.

He urged Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak and the cabinet to issue a clear and specific directive to Khalid to order the police to stop applying alleged double standards and to immediately investigate and prosecute the self-styled NGOs for a slew of offences committed in their "bloody" demonstrations last Thursday.

"I call on the Prime Minister and the Cabinet to speak up, loud and clear, on this issue, and the least they should do is for the cabinet meeting tomorrow to repudiate and reprimand Zahid and the police for their failure in discharging their duties to uphold the rule of law, preferring instead to condone the law of the jungle."

Lim said that on one hand, the police are calling up actress Lim Ching Miao, who starred as "Mrs Jit" in Teresa Kok's "Onederful Malaysia" video, to give a statement but on the other hand, they had been restrained and directed by Ahmad Zahid not to investigate the scores of police reports by the DAP and

Pakatan Rakyat MPs, as well as the state assembly representatives, against the self-styled "Council of Islamic NGOs", which held the "bloody" protest.

Lim said that the group had also broken numerous laws in their demonstration last Thursday, including criminal intimidation, sedition, incitement of violence against a woman, incitement of violence against Members of Parliament and incitement to cause another racial riot.

"The Prime Minister and the cabinet meeting tomorrow cannot behave like the three monkeys of having eyes that see not, ears that hear not and mouth that speak not," he added.

Lim lauded Bar Council president Christopher Leong's statement which declared that government inefficiency is tantamount to authorities ignoring threats to public order.

Leong, in a press conference in Kuala Lumpur today, had said that the "chicken and slap" protest was dangerous as it also made references to the May 13, 1969, racial riots.

The Bar Council said the actions carried out by the Council of Islamic NGOs can be viewed as an incitement and a threat to public order.

Meanwhile, Seputeh MP Teresa Kok has called on MCA deputy president Datuk Wee Ka Siong to apologise to her for twisting the meaning, purpose and content of her Chinese New Year (CNY) video.

Wee had advised Kok to apologise over the "One-derful Malaysia" CNY video clip for the good of Malaysians.

Wee had said that Kok should be sensitive and mature in airing messages to the public as espoused in Chinese culture.

"We do not want people to regard Chinese culture as cursing and ridiculing others during the CNY festival," he had said.

Kok said it is irresponsible on the part of MCA leaders to dance to the music of Umno leaders and some extremists by continuing to twist the meaning, purpose and content of her video.

"I have said that my video did not touch on race, religion, the royalty, the Lahad Datu incident or our security forces. I will only apologise if anyone can show that my video is anti-Malay or anti-Islam as alleged by some irresponsible people.

"I have right from the beginning stated that my video is a political satire produced in conjunction with Chinese New Year. It is a special CNY video where the content comprised issues in people's daily conversation," she said in a statement. – February 11, 2014.

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