

**Would Putrajaya keep quiet if a non-Malay version of Isma attacked Najib, asks DAP
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As Putrajaya continues to keep mum over the actions of a controversial Muslim rights group, the DAP today questioned whether it would do the same if a non-Malay rights group openly attacked Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

Party adviser Lim Kit Siang said no action had been taken by the police, despite the various provocative statements issued by Ikatan Muslimin Malaysia (Isma).

"What would Putrajaya do if a non-Malay version of Isma were to accuse Najib of being anti-Chinese or anti-Indian?"

"What would happen if Najib were to be accused of trying to wipe out the Chinese or Indians in Malaysia?" Lim said in a statement.

Isma president Abdullah Zaik Abdul Rahman had previously stoked racial tension by accusing the Chinese in Malaysia of being "pendatang" or trespassers.

He accused the Chinese of coming to Malaysia to bully the Malays, a remark which sparked outrage among the Chinese community.

Isma also targeted the DAP with vice-president Abdul Rahman Mt Dali saying the party's struggle caused a lot of hurt and pain to the Malay community.

"If left alone, the DAP could cause splits and divisions similar to the May 13, 1969, racial riots," Abdul Rahman said.

Lim said various lies and falsehoods had been concocted by Isma against him, such as being anti-Malay since the 1960s.

"Thankfully, there have been hundreds of responses on social media such as Facebook and Twitter reacting to the wild allegations hurled against me by Isma.

"Basically, everyone has told me that I should just ignore Isma or file a lawsuit against the group and sue it until kingdom come," he said, adding that social media users had used colourful language to describe Isma.

However, Lim also asked whether this was an attempt to neutralise the fact that DAP had put forward a Malay candidate to run in the recent Teluk Intan by-election.

"Is Isma saying that Dyana Sofya Mohd Daud is a mere puppet of the DAP when she is actually a very intelligent and confident woman?"

Lim said even if Isma could not respect DAP, it should respect independent and educated Malay women, especially the new generation.

"Whether you like it or not, these women are the new generation," he said.

Meanwhile, another DAP lawmaker earlier today also questioned the lack of police action against a mob who threatened to burn down the party's headquarters.

Segambut MP Lim Lip Eng lodged a complaint with the Enforcement Agency Integrity Commission over non-action against a group of Umno Youth members gathered outside the DAP headquarters along Jalan Yew and threatened to burn down the building on May 22 following the "Umno celaka" remark uttered by a Penang assemblyman.

"With all the evidence in the form of videos and witnesses, why are police taking their own sweet time to take action?" he said.

Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar was not immediately available for comment on these issues. – June 6, 2014.

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