

**DPM's 'critical situation' remark merits urgent attention from  
Putrajaya, says DAP  
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Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin's remarks that another bloody incident is possible has thrown Malaysia into a "critical situation" that requires an emergency Cabinet meeting, the DAP said today.

Party stalwart Lim Kit Siang (pic) also urged the Barisan Nasional (BN) Supreme Council to convene over the remark, which he said was a direct confession that Putrajaya's nation-building policies for the past five years had failed.

"The country is faced with the most critical situation in 45 years if a deputy prime minister could publicly say that another May 13 is not impossible - as no prime minister or deputy prime minister in Malaysia have made such a statement in the past four decades," Lim said in a statement today.

He said the Cabinet needed to make clear whether it endorsed Muhyiddin's warning in Pagoh, Johor yesterday, as well as what it proposed to do to save Malaysia from another bloody racial riot.

"The first duty of the Federal government is to ensure that another May 13 is not possible.

"A Federal government which allowed ethnic ties to deteriorate until the deputy prime minister could publicly suggest that another May 13 is not impossible has lost all moral and political justification to continue to rule the country," said Lim.

He added that if no action was taken, this would raise the question of whether Muhyiddin was just giving legitimacy to "a small group of extremists responsible for the worst racial and religious polarisation in the nation's history in the past year".

Lim, who is Gelang Patah MP, stressed that Muhyiddin's statement also marked the failure of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak's five-year efforts in creating a united Malaysia.

"Najib's failure will be all the more conspicuous as it would also mean the total failure of his 1Malaysia policy to create a Malaysia where Malaysians regard themselves as Malaysians first and their race, religion and region second – which had been publicly repudiated by Muhyiddin right from the beginning," said Lim.

It was also an affront to Najib's Global Movement of Moderates campaign, which was set up for "the voices of moderation to drown the voices of extremism", he added.

Umno-owned Utusan Malaysia today reported Muhyiddin warning that Malaysia could see another bloody incident if no efforts were made to preserve inter-racial harmony.

"That is why all sorts of assumptions are raised when ethnic ties become strained and unhealthy. This could lead to that incident, and I do not want to mention the date (May 13, 1969)," Muhyiddin was quoted as saying by Utusan.

Although Muhyiddin did not explicitly state the date, the Umno-owned paper added May 13, 1969, in parenthesis to his quotes in its report.

Muhyiddin also expressed fears over the insults hurled towards the

Malays and Muslims of late.

"As deputy prime minister, every night before I sleep, I think about how to manage the country. Someone sent me a text message (asking) what will happen to the Malays, why is Islam being insulted and other similar issues.

"These things are definitely happening and it is worrying. We must all return to the right path. Let religion as well as our culture and customs be our strength," he said. – July 5, 2014.

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