

PKR Disciplinary Board Powerless To Probe Non-party Issues - Khalid
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 8 (Bernama) -- Selangor Menteri Besar Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim on Friday stressed that the Parti Keadilan Rakyat Disciplinary Board has no jurisdiction to investigate matters unrelated to the party.

In a reply to a show cause letter issued by the party, he said the five alleged disciplinary offences were not related to the party.

"As the show cause notice did not among others mention the articles of the party constitution I have infringed, there is no prima facie for any disciplinary misconduct committed by me and there is no disciplinary issues for the Disciplinary Board to hear.

"Without these details, I cannot defend myself effectively. As such Datuk and the Disciplinary Board have erred in putting up the show cause notice," said Abdul Khalid.

The reply was sent to PKR Disciplinary Board chairman Datuk Dr Tan Kee Kwong by Abdul Khalid's representative Mustafa Mohd Talib to PKR office today.

In a show cause notice dated Aug 5, Tan ordered Abdul Khalid to explain his action in defying party decision on the appointment of PKR president Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail as the new Menteri Besar.

On the hearing scheduled at 3pm today, Abdul Khalid was also ordered to explain the issues of restructuring water industry in Selangor, the new allowance of the menteri besar, hike in business licence, Abdul Khalid's loan with Bank Islam and the construction of the Kinrara-Damansara (Kidex) highway.

Abdul Khalid in his letter said he could not attend the session as he was tied up with his responsibility as Menteri Besar when the session was being conducted.

"I beg to postpone the hearing and propose Aug 15, 2014 at the same time and place," he said.

Abdul Khalid said Tan had acted unfairly as the show cause notice did not refer to the five matters concerned.

"YB Datuk's action further strengthens my call for any allegations against me to be stated in detailed.

"Thus, the five issues mentioned were not related to the 'Kajang Move' as mentioned in the show cause notice. The Kajang Move was planned even before the five issues arose," he said.

In his reply, he also described the Disciplinary Board and Tan's action as 'suspicious'.

Abdul Khalid said he should be given the opportunity to fair defence if there were misconducts committed by him.

"The action of the Disciplinary Board and YB Datuk is against the party's slogan, against the principles of natural justice and did not comply with procedures," he said.

If the PKR Disciplinary Board insisted on proceeding with the hearing against him, Abdul Khalid wanted to be informed the names of the board members presiding the session.

Apart from that, he wanted to know the procedure adopted for the session and whether he could be represented by a team of lawyers as well as his officers.

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