

Kit Siang laments 'good work of 6 years gone in 4 days' due to MB crisis
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DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang today expressed concerns that developments in the Selangor Menteri Besar crisis over the past four days have destroyed much of the good work done by Pakatan Rakyat in the last six years, and questioned the direction of the opposition pact.

The DAP parliamentary leader said the crisis, which took a turn for the worse on Sunday, has destroyed much of the hard fought gains and hopes for political change achieved by Pakatan as well as civil society and Malaysians in the past six years.

"Quo vadis, Pakatan Rakyat?" he said, borrowing the Latin phrase which means "where are you going".

The crisis went into a tailspin when PKR sacked MB Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim on Saturday from the party for defying the party's orders to step down as MB and make way for party president Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail to replace him.

His expulsion came weeks after the MB crisis threatened to split Pakatan between PAS, which supports Khalid, and PKR and DAP, which want him removed.

Following a meeting with the Selangor Ruler, the Sultan consented the now Independent candidate Khalid to remain as MB. Khalid then turned the tables yesterday by sacking six of his 10 executive councillors as they were from PKR and DAP.

The Selangor government is now being run by Khalid and the remaining four excos who are from PAS, another ally in Pakatan.

Lim said the brutal truth is that Khalid is hanging on to his position solely on the strength of Umno deputy president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin's pledge that all 12

Umno representatives in the state will support him as well as the potential support of 15 PAS assemblypersons.

The Gelang Patah MP also took Khalid to task for asserting today that Selangor is not a Pakatan government, pointing out that the two-term MB had previously said repeatedly in both the state assembly and outside that Malaysia's richest state has been under the administration of Pakatan for six-and-a-half years.

But what was more unbelievable, said Lim, was that Khalid's remarks were endorsed by the four PAS excos.

"Would the four PAS excos have been elected as Selangor state assemblymen in the first place if they had not represented Pakatan Rakyat in the 2013 general election?" Lim asked. – August 13, 2014.

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