

Khalid says he will reply to PKR letter on disciplinary hearing
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Embattled Selangor Menteri Besar Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim said he will respond to a letter summoning him to the PKR disciplinary hearing tonight and will make public his reply tomorrow.

He, however, refused to say whether he will show up for the disciplinary hearing.

"I will respond to their letter tonight and will make public my response to the media tomorrow about 10am," he said when asked to comment on the letter sent to him today.

"I do not want to tell you my reply now because I want them (the disciplinary committee) to receive my response first. I do not want to say anything until I have answered the letter.

"The response to the letter will be given about 10am tomorrow," he said when met at his official residence in Shah Alam.

The PKR disciplinary board has set Friday to hear Khalid's explanation for disobeying a party directive to resign as Selangor menteri besar.

The hearing is scheduled to take place at PKR headquarters in Petaling Jaya.

According to the letter, Khalid is required to provide explanations on five issues related to his administration and his personal conduct.

Among them are; Selangor's water industry restructuring exercise, the 300% increase in business licenses fee, MB's salary hike, the proposal to build the Kinrara-Damansara Expressway (Kidex) and his out-of-court settlement of a RM70 million Bank Islam loan.

Khalid has been under pressure from his party starting from last month to resign as menteri besar.

His party's proposal for him to resign is currently in the process of being decided by PKR's allies in Pakatan Rakyat, DAP and PAS.

Today, Khalid also said he would not provide detailed explanations concerning those six issues in writing.

He also refused to comment on an earlier disciplinary committee letter asking him to explain why he decided to defy the party on its "Kajang move".

"I cannot comment on that now." he said.

The show cause letter, dated August 5 had asked Khalid to explain why he refused to follow a directive reached on January 15 and July 21 for him to resign his post.

The August 5 letter said the directive was part of the "Kajang Move", where a by-election was triggered in the Kajang state assembly seat.

The by-election was to pave the way for defacto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to contest and become a state lawmaker and subsequently the menteri besar.

After Anwar was disqualified from contesting, his place was taken by his wife and PKR president Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, who won the seat. – August 7, 2014

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