

No need to go to court, Muhyiddin tells MIC – Bernama
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The crisis within the country's largest Indian party MIC should be resolved without dragging it to court, said Barisan Nasional (BN) deputy chairman Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

Muhyiddin, who is the deputy prime minister, said problem would get worse resolved by taking it to court, although it was any individual's right to do so.

MIC Central Working Committee (CWC) member K. Ramalingam yesterday applied for a judicial review, seeking the Registrar of Societies (RoS) and its director-general, Mohammad Razin Abdullah, to retract the directives sent to the party for the holding of re-elections.

Muhyiddin said it was preferable for the factions to meet again if they were unhappy with the decisions arrived at.

"The point is there must be sincerity, then the issue can be resolved in the best way possible," he told reporters in Putrajaya today.

The MIC crisis erupted due to differences of opinion after the RoS nullified the November 2013 elections for the three posts of vice-president and 23 CWC posts following complaints of irregularities.

The RoS, in a letter dated December 5, 2014, instructed MIC to hold re-elections for these posts within 90 days.

Home Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi said on February 9 that the Registrar of Societies (RoS), which came under the jurisdiction of his ministry, had agreed that MIC hold re-elections for all posts between April and July this year to avoid being de-registered.

On February 14, MIC president Datuk Seri G. Palanivel asked the RoS to withdraw all its instructions to the party, claiming that they went contrary to the Societies Act and party constitution, and threatened to take the RoS to court.

On February 18, BN secretary-general Datuk Seri Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor said in a statement that Palanivel would call a meeting of the 2009 CWC to set up an independent elections committee. – Bernama, February 24, 2015.

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