

Task Force Formed To Investigate Complaints About 1MDB Account

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KUALA LUMPUR, March 9 (Bernama) -- A special task force has been formed to investigate into complaints on the status of the 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB) account if there is evidence of embezzlement and misconduct.

Inspector-General of Police, Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar said the special team which was formed three days ago had been conducting investigations since receiving several reports on the 1MDB issue.

"Members of the task force are from the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) and police...we are investigating those issues and reports lodged."

He said this to reporters after attending the graduation and signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the Malaysian government and Derby University, United Kingdom, here, today.

Khalid said he did not discount the possibility that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak would also be investigated.

"The case is being investigated under Section 420 and Section 409 of the Penal Code," he said.

He was responding to PKR vice-president Rafizi Ramli's plan to lodge a police report against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and two other individuals, Low Taek Jho dan Datuk Shahrol Halmi, in connection with the 1MDB issue.

On another development, he urged the individuals involved in organising the #KitaLawan gathering last Saturday to surrender themselves to assist in the police investigations.

Khalid said police would take stern action if these individuals refused to do so.

"To the individuals who participated in the gathering, it is better that you surrender yourselves...like Nik Nazmi who turned himself in yesterday so that we can investigate," he said.

Khalid added that if necessary, more people would be detained for their statements to be recorded.

PKR Youth chief Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad is being remanded for three days from today to facilitate the investigations into the gathering held in Kuala Lumpur last Saturday.

Nik Nazmi was detained yesterday after he turned up at the Dang Wangi district police headquarters at about 10am, while an employee of the Subang Jaya Municipal Council,

Mohd Saifullah Mohd Zulkifli, was detained at 7pm on Saturday.

Earlier, the signing of the MoU between the Malaysian government and Derby University was also attended by the university's vice-chancellor, Prof John Coyne

A total of 1,580 graduates from throughout the country received their Diploma in Policing, Constable Level, at the ceremony.

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