

**300 at vigil for Nurul Izzah**  
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Some 300 people protested Nurul Izzah Anwar's overnight detention at the Jinjang lock-up in Kuala Lumpur tonight, where she is being held in connection with a sedition investigation.

The demonstrated began at about 9pm with speeches by opposition leaders, members of her family and activists.

PKR president Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, Nurul Izzah's mother, said the arrest of the Lembah Pantai MP will not weaken the people's resolve to fight injustice.

"Today is a hot day, but hot not because of the weather, but because of the heat of Nurul Izzah's arrest by the police," the wife of jailed opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said outside the lock-up.

She said Nurul Izzah had done nothing wrong and was only doing her job as a lawmaker.

"As a member of Parliament, is it wrong to speak out? We will rise to fight for the people who have been stripped of their rights regardless whether they are Chinese, Indian, Malay or other races, because we are 'Anak Malaysia'.

"The people that are arrested today may be my husband, my daughter, but our spirit will not be moved and we will fight till we win," Dr Wan Azizah said as those gathered shouted in approval.

Nurul Izzah was arrested this afternoon at the Dang Wangi police station where she had gone to give her statement to assist police investigations on the #KitaLawan rally held in Kuala Lumpur on March 7.

But she was told that she was being investigated for sedition, following a speech she made in Parliament last week in which she criticised the judiciary over the Federal Court's verdict upholding Anwar's sodomy conviction.

Others who gave speeches outside the remand centre in Jinjang were her sister Nurul Ilham, national laureate and activist A. Samad Said, and the father of student activist Adam Adli Abd Halim.

Tonight's protest called for the release of Nurul Izzah, as well as other activists Mandeep Singh and Adam Adli, who were both arrested on Saturday for holding a small demonstration in the capital.

Demonstrations, under the #KitaLawan banner, are being held on Saturdays to press for Anwar's release from prison where he is serving a five-year jail term for a sodomy

conviction, and for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak's resignation.

Another sister, Nurul Nuha, who leads the March 2 Freedom movement, said the government's "selective" actions in jailing her father and now detaining her sister, had given her greater resolve to fight injustice.

"I will not remain silent, we will not remain silent, we will continue to fight," she said.

Samad meanwhile said he was sad that Anwar had been jailed repeatedly.

Also present at the protest was the The BangsArt group which performed a few songs.

Nurul Izzah's remand hearing before a magistrate is expected to take place tomorrow at 10am. – March 16, 2015

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