

Rally was Umno's ploy to divert attention from scandals linked to Najib, says PAS
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The 'red shirt' rally in Kuala Lumpur today, where some of the protesters carried banners and placards with racially-tinged messages, was not an act which represented Malays, but Umno, PAS deputy president Datuk Tuan Ibrahim Tuan Man said today.

In a statement released this evening, Tuan Ibrahim urged Malaysians not to react to the rally, saying that any reaction would mean that the organisers have succeeded in diverting attention from recent financial scandals surrounding Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

"Don't let their plot to divert your attention succeed," he said.

"This is not the action of Malays, but of Umno, who we are trying to defeat in GE14, in order to stop the continuous damage to national integration."

He urged Malaysians to be calm and not to share or spread the "racial messages" that were displayed on banners and placards at the rally.

The rally was organised as a counter to the Bersih 4 gathering two weeks ago, and also to preserve Malay dignity.

"Their motives are clear because there was not a single mention about the RM2.6 billion donation, the falling value of ringgit or the problems faced by the rakyat," Tuan Ibrahim said, referring to the funds which were credited to the prime minister's personal bank accounts from a Middle East donor.

PAS refused to participate in the red shirt rally. It also did not participate in the Bersih 4 gathering held during the recent Merdeka weekend. – September 16, 2015.

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