

Pua: Najib should tell all, not wait for probes
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KUALA LUMPUR: The people do not want to hear Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak promising investigations, said Petaling Jaya Utara MP Tony Pua in a statement. “They want to hear from the Prime Minister himself with regards to scandals because more than RM2.6 billion was found to have appeared in his own personal bank accounts.”

Hence the question that everyone was asking was, “why the heck can’t Najib himself let Malaysians know why these obscene sums of money were found in his personal account”. “He does not need investigators to tell him why the money appeared in his account in order to tell Malaysians and the watching world.”

“This is particularly since it has been more than eight months since the scandals were exposed.”

Najib has failed to be accountable as the Prime Minister of Malaysians, added Pua who is also the DAP National Publicity Secretary. “This further justifies why all Malaysians should sign and support the Citizens’ Declaration seeking the removal of the Prime Minister to help institutionalize reforms in the Malaysian Government.”

Pua was commenting on the Prime Minister “failing” to make use of his rare appearance in Parliament on Wednesday to address the 1MDB and RM2.6 billion scandals “which have landed Malaysia in the gravest crisis of confidence we have ever experienced”.

“Najib made a rare appearance in Parliament to answer a question posed by Ketereh MP Annuar Musa, who happens to be the new Umno information chief, on economic uncertainties.”

The MP disclosed that he had the opportunity to ask a supplementary question, where he ventured that the economic uncertainties and the crisis of confidence facing Malaysia today have been caused largely by the RM55 billion 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) and RM2.6 billion “donation” scandals. “There has been an unprecedented degree of negative foreign media interest in Malaysia as a result of the Prime Minister’s failure to address these unanswered scandals.”

“The clearest example would be the journalists from Australia Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) taking a flight all the way to Kuching just to seek a comment from the Prime Minister ‘if he could explain the hundreds of millions in his account?’”

For their troubles they were detained by the police for six hours and had their passports temporarily confiscated, lamented Pua. “The attempt to further charge them for allegedly obstructing public officials from their duties, before they were subsequently withdrawn and the journalists deported, further disgraced the nation in the eyes of the global community.”

The Prime Minister chose to paint the so-called attacks as an “orchestrated campaign” against his government and only promised that “I am responsible to the people... The process of accountability in the country will continue”.

Even his re-assertion that he will let the parliamentary Public Accounts Committee (PAC) decide on the RM2.6 billion “donation” and 1MDB scandals rings hollow after singing the same tune for more than a year, said Pua. “He has pro-actively stifled the investigations on these matters and sacked the former Attorney General.”

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