

Guan Eng turns tables on Najib in bungalow scandal

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Lim Guan Eng says unlike Najib Razak, the former owner of his bungalow has come forward to explain the purchase unlike the PM's Saudi donor who still has not.

KUALA LUMPUR: Speaking out against the allegations of corruption levelled against him, Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng argued that unlike Prime Minister Najib Razak, he has not attempted to cover up any details about the purchase of a bungalow that was sold to him below market value.

He also said he did not attempt to hide the identity of the individual who sold him the said property.

“The person who sold the house to me has come forward. The person who donated the RM2.6 billion to Najib on the other hand, hasn’t.

“I have practised all levels of accountability that are not practised by BN leaders,” he said in a press conference at the lobby of Parliament here today.

Phang Li Koon, the former owner of the bungalow, who sold the property to Lim at RM2.8 million signed a statutory declaration (SD) recently denying any links between the sale and a company that had dealings with the Penang state government.

Lim himself has denied any act of corruption in the purchase of the bungalow, claiming he did not even know the real value of the property.

He also accused pro-Barisan Nasional print media such as the New Straits Times (NST) and Utusan Malaysia of taking part in a conspiracy to assassinate his character.

“These papers want to make corruption happen although there is no such thing.”

The NST today reported that Kuala Lumpur International Dental Centre (KLIDC) had applied to change the terms of its land development project, so that 70 per cent of the land would be utilised to build a hotel and service suites, and the rest, a private hospital.

Lim however rubbished the report, saying, “The land title states that 66 per cent is for a hospital while the remaining is for service suites. If you want to lie, at least be a bit more clever.

“Don’t publish lies that can be easily refuted with public documents.”

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