

IGP not immune from criticism, says DAP lawmaker hauled up for denouncing top cop
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Kulai MP Teo Nie Ching, who is being hauled up by police for criticising the Inspector General of Police, lashed out further at Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar, saying that he is not above criticism.

Teo (pic, right) also said the top cop was in the wrong profession if he was unable to accept criticism.

"The IGP is a public figure and his performance is subject to public scrutiny. He is not immune from criticism.

"If he cannot accept being criticised, then he has chosen the wrong profession," Teo told The Malaysian Insider this morning.

Police have reportedly summoned Teo and want to record her statement for criticising the IGP at a DAP dinner in Pekan Nanas, Johor where she lamented the delay in re-investigating the death of political aide Teoh Beng Hock.

Teoh was found dead on July 16, 2009, one day after going to the MACC office in Shah Alam to give a statement on graft allegations against his boss, Selangor exco Ean Yong Hian Wah.

He was believed to have fallen to his death from a window on the 14th floor of the building.

In September, the Court of Appeal set aside the open verdict of the inquest into his death, ruling that "a person or persons were responsible for his death", and instructed a re-investigation.

Teo said this was a good reason to abolish the police's Special Branch as it appeared that their real job was to go after politicians.

"They attended the DAP Pekan Nenas dinner, wrote a report, and now officers from the Criminal Investigations Department are hauling me up.

"Special Branch has 8,260 officers while our CID only has 16,062 officers, so they should be dissolved and join the CID to combat real crime and not haunt politicians," she said.

She added that the police had agreed to give her some time to record her statement as her father is currently ill and hospitalised.

Teo said she was unsure under which law she was being investigated but did not deny the possibility that it could be the Sedition Act.

Meanwhile, Pontian police chief Supt Zahaliman Jamim confirmed that a police report had been lodged against Teo by a policeman, believed to be a Special Branch personnel who attended the function.

He said investigation papers were opened under Section 504 of the Penal Code for intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of peace. – November 3, 2014.

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