

**Explain RM2.6 billion 'donation' within 24 hours, DAP tells MCA
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A DAP federal lawmaker today said MCA leaders have 24 hours to respond to claims by its former president that some of the RM2.6 billion, purportedly received by Datuk Seri Najib Razak as political donation before the 13th general election, was used to fund Barisan Nasional (BN) component parties.

Issuing the ultimatum, Segambut MP Lim Lip Eng said MCA leaders have remained silent since Tan Sri Dr Chua Soi Lek's revelation last Saturday.

"I am giving MCA leaders 24 hours to come clean over this. If not, I will lodge a report with the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) so that the party or its leaders accounts are investigated," he said in a statement.

Lim also wanted to know the amount that was given to the senior Chinese party, if the funds were deposited into MCA's or its leaders' accounts and what was the money used for.

He demanded to know which leader received the money and if the funds were transferred directly into MCA leaders personal bank accounts.

In a Mandarin interview with Cari.com, which was later picked up by news portal Malaysiakini, Chua had said in his experience, MCA never received funding from BN before until Najib disbursed the funds.

"I must admit, during the BN supreme council meeting approaching the May 5 general election, he (Najib) in his capacity as prime minister and BN chairman did reveal that in that election, BN will support its component parties' finances," he was quoted as saying.

"I said that I have joined politics for more than 20 years and gone through five general elections, (we) have never received a single sen from BN before".

However, Chua had said he did not know where the rest of the funds went.

In July, The Wall Street Journal reported that RM2.6 billion which ended up in Najib's accounts were from state-owned entities linked to 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB), the investment firm which was Najib's brainchild.

Najib later said the monies were not from 1MDB but instead from a Middle Eastern benefactor. – November 8, 2015.

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