

Syed Saddiq defends criticism against awarding of contracts, posts

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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 2 (Bernama) – Bersatu Youth (Armada) chief Syed Saddiq Syed Abdul Rahman has reiterated his stand to refrain from awarding government contracts and positions to certain groups in the party.

Syed Saddiq explained that every Bersatu member was free to cast his or her views based on the democratic practices of the party.

"It's no use to enter (the party) and hold a high position but ultimately forget the origin of the struggle which led me into the political world, but what's good is there have already been statements (addressing the matter) from three party leaders, (Chairman) Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, (President) Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin and Deputy President, Datuk Seri Mukhriz Tun Dr Mahathir.

"They agree with Armada's view, so I think in this chapter, the top leadership is agreeing with our (Armada's) stand and this shows us we are embarking towards a new political culture," he said.

Syed Saddiq, who was met by reporters after his visit to the Bukit Jalil National Hockey Stadium, was commenting on claims that certain Bersatu division chiefs were plotting a move to oust him following his criticism of the Federal Territories representative's speech on the awarding of contracts and positions during the party's AGM in Putrajaya on Sunday.

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