

What Zakaria did not good, says Pak Lah

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KEPALA BATAS: What Port Klang assemblyman Datuk Zakaria Mat Deros did is not good in the eyes of the public, and action will be taken against him, said Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

"We are from the ruling party and we are holding posts. So, definitely the people are not happy," he said.

The Prime Minister was commenting on the controversy involving Zakaria, who is alleged to have built a four-storey mansion in Kampung Pandamaran, Port Klang, without getting approval of the Klang Municipal Council (MPK).

"He will be fined," Abdullah told reporters after presenting Hari Raya aid to 642 poor and orphaned folk in Penaga yesterday.

On Wednesday, Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Khir Toyo said that Zakaria would be fined 10 times the RM2,400 planning fee.

Abdullah said that the Dr Mohd Khir had informed him of the action that would be taken against Zakaria.

"I leave it to him to take action and I have nothing else to comment," he said.

Abdullah said if Zakaria wanted to construct the house, he should have sought approval first.

"It is all right if approval had been given. But, when there is no approval, naturally the people will be unhappy," he added.

On whether it was proper that Zakaria's son Zainuri and daughter-in-law Roselinda Abdul Jamil be appointed MPK councillors together with Zakaria, Abdullah said the state government and MPK would determine if

they were eligible to hold the posts.

"If they have the necessary qualifications to serve in their posts, then there is nothing wrong in them serving as councillors," he said.

"But, while they carry out their duties, they must not be involved in

decisions that have connections with their family," said Abdullah.

Abdullah said Dr Mohd Khir told him that Zakaria, Zainuri and Roselinda had the necessary qualifications to be considered for the posts.

On his upcoming meeting with Tun

Dr Mahathir Mohamed, scheduled before Hari Raya next week, Abdullah kept the media guessing over the date.

"It is between me and him. Once it is confirmed, that will be the date. *Biarlah dan tunggulah* (Let it be and let's wait)," he said.