

'DBKL project allegations will be fully addressed'

PUTRAJAYA: There will be no compromise on any misconduct involving governance issues that affect integrity in the Federal Territories, says Dr Zaliha Mustafa.

The Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Federal Territories) was referring to allegations of misconduct involving a Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) advisory board member linked to the awarding of a RM4mil project.

Dr Zaliha said an internal investigation is currently underway, and she expects to receive a full report on the matter next week.

"The internal investigation is ongoing. If there is no wrongdoing, then there is no issue, but if there is involvement, we will take the necessary action.

"It does not matter if the individual denies the allegation as it is



Homegrown honey:

Dr Zaliha (centre) visiting a booth at the Urban Agriculture and Kelulut Open Day in Putrajaya.
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the person's right to do so.

"However, from the aspect of departmental and agency governance, we must carry out the proper procedures," she told reporters after launching the Putrajaya Urban Agriculture and Kelulut (Stingless Bee) Open Day at Taman Botani here yesterday, Bernama reported.

On Jan 28, Kuala Lumpur Mayor Datuk Seri Maimunah

Mohd Sharif confirmed that DBKL had launched an internal investigation into the matter in collaboration with its integrity unit.

The misconduct allegations, which went viral on social media, involve alleged breach of governance procedures in the procurement process for a RM4mil creative content production project for DBKL, which was allegedly not awarded through an open tender.

However, the DBKL advisory board member had released a statement on Friday strongly denying any element of misconduct in the project's procurement.

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