KUALA LUMPUR: Police have detain-ed several people ahead of the Bersih 2.0 rally on July 9.

Bernama reported that in Taman Kosas, Ampang, authorities held eight men, who were wearing yellow T-shirts with the words "Bersih 2.0" written in Jawi.
Ampang Jaya police chief ACP Amiruddin Jamaluddin said they were detained at 11am yesterday in front of the Taman Kosas mosque, adding that all were wearing the shirts which reflected their support for the illegal rally.

"They were also disrupting public order while riding their motorcycles in the area. It was the reason for their arrest," he said yesterday.

Amiruddin said the men were being detained at the Ampang police station and would be released after having their statements recorded.

In JOHOR BARU, police detained 28 passengers in a bus and two others in a four-wheel drive, including two foreigners from South Korea and the Philippines.

It is learnt that the group, including 11 women, had come from Sega-mat to Jalan Paya Mas, Tangkak, in Ledang on Saturday to hand out leaflets calling for the public to take part in the Bersih 2.0 rally.

Johor CID chief Senior Asst Comm Datuk Amer Awal said they found 1,435 yellow leaflets onboard the bus.

"The leaflets contain seditious materials. The group claimed to be part of a non-governmental organisation from Kuala Lumpur," he said.

SAC Amer said all had been released on police bail after having their statements recorded.

Police are investigating the matter under Section 11(2) of the Printing Presses and Publications Act and the Sedition Act.