

Casino ban: PM to announce date soon

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today the ban on Muslims working at or visiting the casino at Genting Highlands would be enforced soon.

The Prime Minister said he would make an announcement on the date for enforcing the ban after all problems relating to the fate of the workers at the casino had been resolved.

"We are studying the

implications and the way to implement the ban as well as to move the Muslim employees at the casino to other parts of the holiday resort complex," he told reporters after opening the convention of the Malaysian Economic Association here.

Asked whether the announcement would be made by the end of the month, the Prime Minister said, "let this thing be done carefully before I

make an announcement."

Yesterday Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, Encik Anwar Ibrahim, had said that preparations were being made to transfer the Muslim employees at the casino to other parts of the complex including the hotel and restaurant.

Resolution

There were only 30 Muslim employees out of the 300 people working at the casino last year.

They would be moved to other sections in stages.

The resolution was later adopted unanimously by the Umno General Assembly.

The ban is in line with the government's aspiration to instill Islamic values in the nation's administration- — Bernama

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