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AHMAD TAJUDDIN TO REPLACE ANI AROPE, SAYS PM

LANGKAWI, Aug 10 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today confirmed that Tenaga Nasional Bhd executive chairman Tan Sri Dr Ani Arope will be replaced.

Dr Mahathir said the post will be taken over by Datuk Ahmad Tajuddin after Dr Ani's current term expires.

"In fact, Ani Arope had completed his contract last month. We searched (for a successor) and found Datuk Ahmad Tajuddin suitable to take over as executive chairman," he told reporters at Kampung Tok Senik.

The Prime Minister was asked on a report in the Berita Harian yesterday that speculated on the possible appointment of Datuk Dr Ahmad Tajuddin Ali, the Director-General of Standards and Industrial Research Institute Malaysia (Sirim), to replace Dr Ani.

Dr Mahathir earlier witnessed the solemnisation of the marriage of a couple, Annuar Ibrahim and Juliana Alias, at Kampung Tok Senik, a tourism centre designed as a traditional Malay village and developed by the Maju Group.

The Prime Minister said the top-level change at TNB would take place once Dr Ani's contract expired.

Dr Ani's contract expired last month but was extended by another month.

On what he hoped for in Dr Ani's successor, Dr Mahathir said normally when a person took over an organisation his priority task would be to learn everything about it and identify its existing strengths and weaknesses. --

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