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POLICE MAY PROPOSE CANING FOR ILLEGAL RACERS

PORT DICKSON, Sept 23 (Bernama) -- The police may propose that illegal racers be caned.

This measure may help stamp out the public menace, said Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Rahim Noor.

"Perhaps caning will stop illegal racing, similar to the punishment imposed by some countries for throwing the remains of chewing gum or littering in public places," he told reporters after opening the 26th biennial delegates conference of the Peninsular Malaysia Union of Employees in the Police Administrative and Public Service (Pacsu) here today.

Various actions had been taken by the police to check illegal racing but the problem was difficult to overcome, he said when asked to comment on the death of traffic policeman Lans Koperal Ishak Mamat, 36, who was rammed by a car during an operation against illegal racers in Petaling Jaya yesterday.

He described Ishak's death as saddening and proved the point that illegal racing not only endangered the lives of the racers but also other people.

On the recent fights between Bangladeshi workers and locals in Johor, Rahim said he will submit a report on the incidents to the next meeting of the National Security Council which is headed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

"The report will contain the views of the police and our recommendations on how to handle the situation more effectively," he said.

Referring to Pacsu, he said among the matters raised during the dialogue held after the opening ceremony were housing, promotion and filling more than 1,000 vacancies in the service.

He said the matters would be considered.

Also present were police director of management Datuk Jamil Johari and Cuepacs secretary-general N. Siva Subramaniam. -- BERNAMA

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