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Mufti

MBs AND CMs DISCUSS MUFTI'S APPOINTMENT TO EXCO NEXT MONTH

KUALA TERENGGANU, Sept 24 (Bernama) -- Next month's meeting of menteri besar and chief ministers will discuss a proposal to appoint muftis to the state executive councils.

Terengganu Menteri Besar Tan Sri Wan Mokhtar Ahmad said here today the proposal could not be implemented now as it would involve amending the state constitutions.

The meeting next month would address the issue, he told reporters after chairing a Kuala Terengganu Municipal Council (KMTC) meeting here.

"We will bring up the matter at the meeting and hope the mufti can be appointed as an ex-officio member," he said commenting on such a proposal at yesterday's regional mufti and fatwa conference in Kuala Lumpur.

Wan Mokhtar said so far only Perlis has appointed its mufti to the state executive council to advise on religious matters.

Later, speaking to reporters after chairing a state executive council meeting, Wan Mokhtar, who joins the Prime Minister's entourage to visit South America from tomorrow, said he would try to look for foreign agriculture experts during the trip.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is scheduled to make official visits to Cuba, Chile, Uruguay and Argentina until Oct 5.-- BERNAMA

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