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Ramli: Exco post for MIC to be decided by September

IPOH, Mon. - Menteri Besar Tan Sri Ramli Ngah Talib will appoint one of three MIC candidates to a State executive council post in a month or two.

"There are several procedures to follow and discussions to be had before the appointment is made," he said at the State Assembly meeting today.

MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu had said yesterday that he submitted the names of potential appointees to Ramli.

The three are national MIC Youth chief and Pasir Panjang Assemblyman M. Muthiah, State MIC vice-chairman and Hutan Melintang Assemblyman Datuk G. Rajoo and State MIC information chief and Sungkai Assemblyman S. Veerasingam.

According to Samy Vellu, Ramli would announce the Exco member after discussions with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Following an amendment to State legislation last year, two more Exco posts were created.

Perak MIC had sought for many years to get a representative in the executive council. Its last executive councillor was the late Datuk V. Ponnusamy Pillai from 1959 to 1969, who was also the party's State chairman.

Ramli declined to comment on the appointment to the other post.

The executive council now comprises five Umno members (excluding the Menteri Besar), two from the MCA and one from Gerakan.

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