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MAHATHIR RETURNED UNOPPOSED AS KUBANG PASU UMNO DIVISION HEAD

ALOR SETAR, March 27 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been returned unopposed as head of the Kubang Pasu Umno Division.

Former Kedah Menteri Besar Tan Sri Osman Aroff was also returned unopposed as deputy head of the division.

Sanator Datuk Saad Man, who is the Prime Minister's Political Secretary retained his post as vice-head after beating off a challenge from a member of the divisional committee.

Saad obtained 263 votes against the 87 polled by Johari Baharom. There were 20 spoilt votes.

Meanwhile Kedah State Executive Councillor for Education Datuk Paduka Abdul Rahman Ibrahim lost to State Executive Councillor for Agriculture and Information Ahmad Lebai Sudin for the post of Pokok Sena Umno Division head at its delegates conference today.

Abdul Rahman failed to retain the post which he had been holding since 1993 when he polled 201 votes against the 305 obtained by Ahmad Lebai.

State Assembly Deputy Speaker Datuk Syeikh Alias Mustafa retained his post as deputy head of the division after beating Mahadzir Khalid.

Meanwhile State Executive Councillor Ghazali Ibrahim retained his post as deputy head of the Padang Terap Division when he beat off a challenge from entrepreneur Zakaria Din.

Ghazali polled 180 votes against the 129 obtained by Zakaria.

Deputy Finance Minister Dr Datuk Affifuddin Omar was returned unopposed as head of the division. -- BERNAMA

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