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INJURED DEPUTY EDUCATION MINISTER TO BE SWORN IN LATER

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 14 (Bernama) -- A separate swearing-in ceremony will be held for injured newly-appointed Deputy Education Minister Datuk Abdul Aziz Samsuddin, an Istana Negara official said today.

Abdul Aziz is still being treated at the Subang Jaya medical centre for injuries following last Saturday's road accident.

Upon being fit and well, Abdul Aziz would also take his oaths of office, loyalty and secrecy before the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah, the palace official told reporters.

Because of his injuries Abdul Aziz could not join today's presentation of appointment letters and swearing-in ceremony at Istana Negara's Throne Room here.

Led by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, members of the new Cabinet and deputy ministers received letters of appointment from his majesty and read out their oaths before the King.

Doctors treating Abdul Aziz declared him to be in stable condition.

Aziz's wife Datin Asmah Ali Hussain was killed in the accident at km 433 of the North-South Expressway near Rawang.

Their son Nafrizal, 27, who drove the four-wheel-drive vehicle taking them here from Gopeng, was also injured in the mishap.

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