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KEDAH MB TO BE SWORN-IN ON DEC 11, SAYS SANUSI

ALOR SETAR, Dec 3 (Bernama) -- The Menteri Besar of Kedah will be sworn-in on Dec 11 but Tan Sri Sanusi Junid says he has not received the appointment letter from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Sanusi said he and Dr Mahathir did not discuss the Menteri Besar's appointment when they met in Langkawi yesterday.

"The prime minister was more keen on the post-mortem on Barisan Nasional's performance in Kedah. There was no discussion about the Menteri Besar's post," he told reporters at the State Umno headquarters here tonight.

"The prime minister has not given the appointment letter for the post.

"As far as I know, I'm still the Kedah Menteri Besar. You (reporters) will know who the Menteri Besar is after the swearing-in," said Sanusi, who was retained in the Kuah state seat.

Sanusi said the swearing-in was delayed as the Sultan of Kedah would be overseas from tomorrow.

Asked whether he was still keen on the Menteri Besar's post, he said: "To me, it is not question of whether I'm keen or not.

"I'm a loyalist, it's up to the leadership to assess my ability. I've my strong points and weaknesses," he said.

Sanusi is under pressure from various quarters to step down as Menteri Besar, taking full responsibility for BN's poor showing in the just-concluded election.

BN won only 24 of the 36 state and seven of the 15 parliamentary seats in Kedah.

On his meeting with the BN candidates in the polls, he said it was to get a report on BN's performance in every constituency.

He said they have been asked to submit their reports by 4pm tomorrow.

The reports would be used in preparing for the next general election, he added.

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