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MCA-candidates (N.Sembilan)

NEGERI SEMBILAN MCA TO NOMINATE INCUMBENTS

SEREMBAN, Nov 12 (Bernama) -- Negeri Sembilan MCA will nominate all incumbents except for the Rasah parliamentary seat as candidates in the general election.

State MCA Secretary Datuk Hon Choon Kim said incumbent Datuk Wong See Wah had expressed desire not to defend his Rasah seat.

"We propose that state MCA Youth chief Yip Chee Kiong be fielded in the constituency," he said when met here today.

Hon said the name list had been submitted to party president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik.

On the possibility of Yip being challenged by DAP chairman Dr Chen Man Hin, he said Dr Chen did not have the grassroots support.

"It will not be a contest between a heavyweight and lightweight as Dr Chen is not that active in politics. Actually he has not authority as many of the decisions are made by secretary-general," he said.

He said that if the DAP were to field Dr Chen in Rasah, it showed that the party was short of candidates.

In the last general election in 1995, MCA won two parliament and seven state seats. The party lost in the election for the Temiang seat to DAP's Lee Yuen Fong who later joined the MCA.

Another DAP candidate Khoo Seng Hock who won the Lobak seat also joined the MCA.

"We want all MCA candidates to be returned, even in Lobak if the seat is allocated to MCA...BN chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will decide which party will contest in Lobak," he said.

The MCA-held seats are Rasah (Datuk Wong See Wah) and Seremban (Datuk Hon Choon Kim), both parliamentary seats, and Chennah (Lim Yong @ Lim Chen), Bahau (See Ah Kow), Repah (Gan Chin Yap), Nilai (Lai Yit Fee), Lobak (Khoo Seng Hock), Temiang (Lee Yuen Fong), Rahang (Datuk Goh Siow Huat), Mambau (Lee Chee Keong) and Lukut (Datuk Dr Yeow Chai Thiam).

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