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OSMAN AROFF IS PM'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN KUBANG PASU

ALOR SETAR, Feb 27 (Bernama) -- Former Kedah Menteri Besar Tan Sri Osman Aroff tonight confirmed that he has been appointed as the personal representative of Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in Kubang Pasu, the Parliamentary constituency of the Prime Minister.

The appointment is effective from Wednesday, Feb 24, he said when asked by reporters at his residence here.

Previously, the functions of the personal representative were carried out by Kubang Pasu Umno division executive secretary Saad Hashim, or better known as "Pak Ad".

Osman, who is also deputy head of the Umno division, said he had been directed by Dr Mahathir who is also the Umno division head to strengthen the party and prepare the election machinery for the coming general election.

"I have no problems in carrying out the new task because all this while I had carried out the function as an elected representative in Jitra," he said. Jitra is a State Assembly constituency under the Kubang Pasu Parliamentary constituency.

Commenting on the possibility of the wife of former deputy prime minister, Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Ismail contesting in Kubang Pasu in the coming elections, Osman said: "There is no problem if she (Dr Wan Azizah) wants to contest there but I don't think she can win."

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