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TEACHERS' COLLEGE TO BE TEMPORARY CAMPUS FOR KELANTAN VARSITY

BACHOK, Aug 27 (Bernama) -- The Kota Baharu teachers' training college in Pengkalan Chepa has been proposed as the temporary campus for Kelantan's first university.

It would be a reality upon the Barisan Nasional regaining control of the opposition-led state, said Kelantan Umno liaison chief Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah here today.

According to him, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad had endorsed the proposal if the people give the BN their mandate again to take over Kelantan from PAS.

"When I met the prime minister last Tuesday, I submitted to him a proposal paper by a group of intellectuals from local universities on setting up a university for Kelantan," he told reporters after meeting the people of Kampung Gajah Mati in Tawang.

Tengku Razaleigh said a 280-ha area in Tangok here has been earmarked for the main campus of the proposed university which would take several years to complete.

Pending completion of the main campus, the federal government would equip the college with facilities required for university education, Tengku Razaleigh said.

"It has been proposed that trainee teachers at the Kota Baharu college be relocated in other colleges in the peninsular west coast, subject to agreement of the Education Ministry," he said.

Tengku Razaleigh said Kelantanese have long been hoping for a university in their own state so that their children need not travel to other states for further studies.

"However the proposed university has to be deferred because of the change in government and the PAS-led state government has not been cooperative with the federal government in this matter," he said.

Tengku Razaleigh added that Kelantanese should return the BN to power in the state for it to deliver them the proposed university which would emphasize education on science and technology.

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