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Lunas seat not MIC preserve, says MB

ALOR STAR, Tues. - Kedah Barisan Nasional chairman Datuk Syed Razak Syed Zain said there is no guarantee that the MIC will be given the Lunas State seat despite it being a traditional MIC seat.

He said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is also BN chairman, would decide on the matter after discussing it with MIC president Datuk Seri S.Samy Vellu.

The Menteri Besar said today's meeting of State BN leaders, which was also attended by MIC vice-president Datuk S. Veerasingam and Secretary-General G. Sothinathan, did not discuss the candidacy.

Asked if the MIC national leaders had requested the seat be given to MIC, Syed Razak said they did not.

"They did not raise questions about the seat, we discussed preparations for the by-election," he told reporters after the meeting at the Bangunan Tunku.

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