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MELAKA EXPANDS STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

MELAKA, Dec 13 (Bernama) -- The Melaka state executive council has been expanded to nine members with Datuk R. Raghavan appointed the new exco member, said Chief Minister Datuk Wira Mohamed Ali Rustam.

Raghavan, the Bukit Asahan state assemblyman and state MIC chairman, will take his oath of office on Monday.

Speaking to reporters after chairing the weekly state exco meeting here today, Mohamed Ali said Raghavan, 60, will head the newly created Youth and Sports Committee.

He said the portfolio was created in order to give more emphasis to sports and efforts to tackle ills concerning the young generation.

Mohamed Ali said the present Family Development, Youth and Sports Committee, led by Ramlah Abas, will now be renamed the Family, Community and Social Development Committee.

He said Ramlah will continue to head the committee.

Mohamed Ali said he has obtained the approvals of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed and Melaka Yang Dipertua Negeri Tun Syed Ahmad Shahabudin on the new appointment.

Raghavan is the first MIC representative to be made a state exco member in Melaka.

The present eight-member state exco, which does not include the position of Chief Minister, consists of six representatives from Umno and two from MCA.

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