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MIC party polls set for May 27

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs - All posts in the MIC will be up for contest in the party's polls set for May 27, MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu said today.

Samy Vellu said the party would not restrict anyone from contesting and that he would be defending his post.

"The posts of the president, his deputy, three vice-presidents and 23 central working committee positions would be open for contest."

"This is an election year. Anyone interested in contesting for any post can take the nomination forms from party headquarters," Samy Vellu told reporters after chairing the party's Central Working Committee meeting at MIC headquarters here.

"The posts of the president, his deputy, three vice-presidents and 23 Central Working Committee positions would be open for contest," he said.

"May 27 and 28 have been set for the general assembly which would be opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad."

He said nomination day was May 6, with nominations being accepted at the MIC headquarters here from 10am till 12noon.

All branches have been directed to hold their meetings to elect office bearers by Feb 29, with Feb 13 as nomination day.

Divisions must hold their meetings by March 31 with nomination day being March 12.

The MIC at State level must hold their conventions by April 30 while its Youth and Wanita wings will have their assemblies on May 21.

Asked if the CWC had issued any advice like that of the Umno supreme council on contests for the top two posts, Samy Vellu said: "We will never restrict anybody from contesting."

"The members can do what they like, it is their wish."

He said he did not know if anybody would stand against him and added that challenges were always there to be faced.

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