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BN to review, monitor representatives' performance

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. - The performance of all Barisan Nasional "wakil rakyat" will be reviewed regularly and non-performers, including regular absentees from legislative assemblies risk being dropped in the next general election.

BN secretary-general Tan Sri Mohamed Rahmat said all BN State secretaries had been directed to monitor the attendance and participation of BN representatives in State assemblies.

The secretaries would then submit detailed reports to the BN headquarters.

At present, Mohamed said BN MPs, including Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary secretaries were being monitored.

"We do not want MPs to come and collect their allowance and later fall asleep," said Mohamed after chairing a meeting with all State BN secretaries.

Reports would be one way of determining if the MPs or State assemblymen should continue or be replaced.

Mohamed said all BN elected representatives had been directed to submit monthly reports to the BN headquarters on the formal and informal functions they had attended in their constituencies, the problems faced by their constituents and approved projects there.

At present, there was a tendency for Umno representatives to attend to problems of the Malays, MCA representatives to the Chinese and MIC to the Indians.

"A BN wakil rakyat should attend to the problems of all races. This will ensure BN's victory in the next general election."

Mohamed today also handed out appointment letters to all State BN chairmen and parliamentary constituency chairmen to the State BN secretaries. The appointments have been approved by BN chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who is also Prime Minister.

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