

PM to meet Chinese chamber leaders on English issue

KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is expected to meet members of the Associated Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry Malaysia today to discuss the proposal to use English in the teaching of science and mathematics at all primary schools next year.

Chamber president Tan

Sri Lim Guan Teck said the meeting would be held at the Prime Minister's Department in Putrajaya in the afternoon to discuss the proposal, which has received mixed reaction from the various communities.

"We will meet the prime minister tomorrow. Eleven of us would be there to give our opinion on the matter," he

told Bernama yesterday.

He declined to reveal the chamber's stand on the issue and said it is not appropriate to disclose it since it would be discussed with Mahathir.

"What I can confirm is that there would be meeting and I will lead the delegation to meet the prime minister," he said.

An aide to Mahathir said

the meeting will be held at 4pm.

"They will meet the prime minister at his office at 4pm but it is a closed-door meeting," he said.

According to sources, the meeting was called as part of the efforts by Mahathir to hear the suggestions from the community on the implementation of the proposals.

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