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COMMITTEE TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENT OF MALAYSIAN FOOTBALL

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 3 (Bernama) -- The FA of Malaysia (FAM) is to set up a committee to monitor the development of Malaysian football and to ensure that the country is on the right track.

Its secretary-general, Datuk Dell Akbar Khan said the committee would be headed by FAM deputy president Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah.

"The committee will receive feedback from the Youth and Sports Ministry, National Sports Council and Malaysian Schools Sports Council," he said after a FAM meeting chaired by Tengku Abdullah at Wisma FAM in Kelana Jaya, here today.

Dell Akbar said the committee would also contact South Korea on their recipe of successfully creating a formidable team in the recent World Cup.

South Korea emerged as the fourth best world team in the prestigious tournament, a record achievement for Asian football.

"We will use the South Korea as our model. At the same time, the committee will also get input from other countries," he said.

Dell Akbar said the setting up of the committee would be in response to call by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who wanted to see Malaysian football made it to the international level.

"The committee will conduct a study, the outcome of which would be presented to the Prime Minister," he said.

Dell Akbar also reminded state football associations to take care of their players especially those for national duty.

Injuries sustained had affected their performance during centralised training, he said.

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