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SRAM'S DIRECTOR OF COACHING POST TO REMAIN VACANT

KUALA LUMPUR, May 14 (Bernama) -- The Squash Rackets Association of Malaysia (SRAM) will not name their new coaching director, at least until end of this year, said acting president Datuk Mokhzani Mahathir.

He said the SRAM would instead create several new posts to coordinate programmes related to the coaching aspect following Mej (Rtd) S. Maniam's resignation from the coaching director's post.

"There are (several) changes in SRAM's lineup after the resignation of Mej Maniam. We have agreed to create new posts to fill the gap (vacant director of coaching post)".

Mokhzani told reporters this when announcing the new SRAM coaching lineup here today.

Maniam stepped down from the post to take up the Asian Squash Federation's (ASF) director of coaching job apart from being consultant to the Indian Squash Federation. He had served the SRAM for 15 years.

Mokhzani said the SRAM's management committee had appointed Raymond Arnold as chief coach, Azan Yaakob as the coaching committee chairman and Peter Chee, SRAM's director of development.

"The trio will handle the coaching aspect and they will report direct to the management committee (on any development).

"We have between six to 12 months before deciding on the coaching director's job. During the same period I will review the role of all SRAM (management committee) members.

Mokhzani also thanked Maniam for his contributions to the SRAM.

He also said the SRAM would expand squash's development nationwide instead of being only localised to Kuala Lumpur and Penang.

Mokhzani said the association planned to set up a centre in Pahang

"The Pahang centre would be our priority now," he added.

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