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PERAK UMNO TO RAISE SARS, IRAQ AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

IPOH, June 4 (Bernama) -- The Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and the war in Iraq will be among the motions to be raised by the Perak Umno at the Umno General Assembly this month.

Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Tajol Rosli Ghazali, who is also Perak Umno Chief, said other issues such as the economy, religion, education, and in particular the Sekolah Agama Rakyat (SAR), would also be raised.

He said they may seek help from the Federal Government on ways to boost the tourism industry in the state following the outbreak of SARS and the war on Iraq.

"I am told the Umno general assembly will be a little different this time around. In the past the state Umno chiefs never debated the president's speech as each state will select delegates but this time around the state chiefs have to do it," he told reporters after chairing the Perak State Executive Council meeting here today.

He said this is the first time in his experience that the Menteri Besar and the Chief Ministers would debate the Umno President's (Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) police speech.

Tajol Rosli said Perak would be represented by 270 delegates from all divisions, Youth, Wanita and Puteri at the General Assembly.

"I am told that on June 17 (Tuesday) night there will be an official meeting among the Youth, Wanita and Puteri. Only on Wednesday will there be the Youth, Wanita and Puteri assembly proper. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday the General Assembly will be in session.

"We will have a state Umno Liaison meeting to discuss the Umno General Assembly very soon," he said.

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