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Dr M, Musa discuss Sabah elections

KOTA KINABALU, Mon. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Chief Minister Datuk Musa Aman discussed, among others, the forthcoming Sabah elections when they met over the weekend.

However, the date for the dissolution of the State Assembly to pave the way for the elections was not discussed during the meeting.

Musa said this after presenting Shell scholarships and bursaries to 140 Sabah students here.

The State elections are due in March next year, but speculation is rife that they will be held this year.

Musa, who is also State Barisan Nasional chairman, said that a decision had not been made whether to hold the State elections simultaneously with the parliamentary elections.

On the reported decision by the three Sabah-based opposition parties - Parti Pasok, Parti Setia and Bersekutu - to form an election pact to take on the BN in the State elections, Musa said they would not be a threat.

"It is their right (to have an election pact) ...let them dream and be excited about it," Musa said.