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Support for move to have new faces

KUALA TERENGGANU, Sat. - Terengganu Umno supports any move to introduce new faces in key positions in the party to gain the people's acceptance.

Deputy liaison committee chairman Datuk Idris Jusoh said changes needed to be carried out if people wished to see more credible candidates leading the party.

He said the State Umno would leave it to State Umno liaison chief Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi to make the final decision.

He said new candidates with high moral standing and firm educational backgrounds should be given an opportunity to lead the party as this was consistent with the people's wishes.

He was commenting on possible changes to be made in the liaison committee line-up.

Abdullah, who is the Deputy Prime Minister and Umno deputy president, said yesterday there would be changes in Terengganu Umno. He said that there would be changes to all State Umno liaison committees to prepare the party for the general election.

In Ipoh, Perak Umno liaison chief Datuk Seri Tajol Rosli Ghazali said he was satisfied with the present team but would not hesitate to change them if asked by the party president.

"Maybe we are comfortable with the present line-up but the president (Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) may think otherwise to win the next general election," he said.