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`Only right candidates will be picked'

JITRA, Mon. - The list of Umno candidates for the next general election will be reviewed to ensure that candidates can win for Umno and the Barisan Nasional.

State Umno liaison committee chairman Datuk Seri Syed Razak Syed Zain said the list would be submitted to Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad when the time comes.

"Don't be surprised that not only a State representative can be dropped, but Executive Councillors, too," he said after presenting excellence awards to nine Sahabat AIM at an Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia function.

Syed Razak was asked about the revamp of the Umno leadership in several States including Kedah. Other States involved were Perak, Perlis, Terengganu and Malacca.

Syed Razak said he had always reminded State representatives to do their best.

"Some listen to my advice while some don't. When the time comes, I will have to make a decision and send my recommendation to the top leadership," he said.

Asked if there were any State representative who did not want to contest, Syed Razak said the situation was different compared with other States.

"This is because it is not easy for us to admit that we don't want to be nominated to contest again."