

**MIC meets to finalise power transition**  
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MIC's central working committee (CWC) began its historic meeting in Kuala Lumpur this morning as the party charts its first power transition in 31 years.

The CWC meeting will finalise the details of the hand over of power between the party's longest serving president S Samy Vellu and his deputy G Palanivel.

Samy Vellu arrived at the party's headquarters at 9.56am and was greeted by the 61-year-old Palanivel and CWC members.

Samy Vellu, 74, who took over the helm of the party in 1979 after the death of its sixth president V Manickavasagam, had said last week that the party would see a smooth power transition.

He is expected to get the CWC's mandate to hand over the leadership to Palanivel, his former press secretary, who will become MIC's eighth president.

MIC vice-president and Human Resources Minister Dr S Subramaniam is expected to be named the deputy.

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