

IGP: Auxiliary Police Chiefs To Be Conferred Rank Of ACP
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GEORGE TOWN, Dec 20 (Bernama) -- Inspector-General of Police (IGP) Tan Sri Ismail Omar today said that the Royal Malaysian Police (PDRM) had proposed that the rank of all auxiliary police agency chiefs be promoted from Superintendent to Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP).

For that, he said certain provisions under the Police Act must be amended and that he would personally discuss and formulate a new mechanisms with the Home Ministry to make the proposal a reality.

"The Police Act allows the IGP to promote the ranks of officers in agencies under his command, but I will discuss the mechanism with the Home Ministry before implementing it," he said.

Ismail said the existing provisions in the Act had stipulated that an auxiliary police chief could only be conferred with the rank of a Superintendent, which was the highest rank in auxiliary police.

He said the promotion was vital as the roles played by auxiliary policemen would be expanded to combat crimes, he told reporters after opening the 23rd Auxiliary Police Agency Conference here today.

"I'm prepared to promote the ranks of these agency chiefs so that they will be more motivated in helping the PDRM in combating crimes," he said.

Ismail said he was confident that the promotion would be implemented early next year beginning with the agencies which have over 1,000 members such as Petronas, Sunway Berhad and Tenaga Nasional Berhad.

At present, he said there were 13,000 auxiliary policemen nationwide and PDRM had been working closely with those agencies to combat crimes.

"We will also continue collaborating with other law enforcement agencies such as the Armed Forces, auxiliary police and People's Volunteer Corps (Rela) in a bid to reduce the crime rate in 2012," he said.

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