

**Government Asked To Review SBPA For Benefit Of Lecturers Grade 54 And Below  
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PUTRAJAYA, Jan 5 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs has asked the government to review the Public Service New Remuneration Scheme (SBPA) for all lecturers at Grade 54 and below at higher learning institutions nationwide.

Its president Datuk Omar Osman said this was because the scheme was seen as not taking into account the scholarship and seniority of a lecturer.

"As such, Cuepacs is asking for a meeting between the Malaysian Academic Association Council (MAAC) and the Public Service Department (JPA) soon to discuss the matter.

"We also hope to meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak soon to propose a fair salary scale transition," he told reporters after a meeting on strengthening of the University Service Scheme 1/2002, here, Thursday.

Omar said he discussed several matters with MAAC during the meeting.

He hoped the PSD could take into account the seniority and scholarship of 29,000 lecturers in Malaysia in implementing the transfer of salary scale under the new scheme.

"Lecturers are important because they mould the future leaders of the nation, as such their welfare must be looked after," he said.

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