

Hadi to decide on Hasan Ali's replacement today
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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 15 — PAS president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang will decide today who will replace Datuk Hasan Ali as Selangor state executive councillor for religious affairs.

The candidate's name will be presented to Selangor Menteri Besar Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim tomorrow, Harakahdaily quoted PAS secretary-general Datuk Mustafa Ali as saying today.

"If there are no issues, we expect the Selangor exco to get its new member this Wednesday," he said.

According to the party organ, the PAS central leadership met yesterday in Alor Setar to discuss Hasan's replacement, among other things.

Former Selangor PAS chief Hasan was sacked from the party last Sunday for breaching party discipline.

He was axed for urging opposition supporters to avoid the January 9 rally in support of Anwar as his sodomy trial verdict was handed down.

Hasan was later also removed as state executive councillor for religious affairs.

The Selangor Sultan has reportedly consented to the Gombak Setia assemblyman's removal from the state executive council.

Hasan said today he would not appeal the sacking to the Syura Council, PAS's highest decision-making body.

"I cannot, my soul will not allow me to. I do not see the need to remain in the party," he told Sinar Harian.

Several PAS leaders, including deputy spiritual advisor Datuk Haron Din had previously urged Hasan to make the appeal.

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