

**JAIS Denies Political Interference In Mosque Committee Selection**  
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SHAH ALAM, July 19 (Bernama) -- The Selangor Islamic Religious Department (JAIS) has denied allegations that the appointment of mosque committee members was not transparent and involved political interference.

Its director Datuk Marzuki Hussin said mosque committee members were chosen based on their credibility before being considered and approved by the Selangor Islamic Religious Council (MAIS).

"Candidates are not appointed simply through selection and majority of votes from mosque members to become imam or nazir.

"Before they are appointed, MAIS will review their names and screen them. If their record is clean and they meet the criteria for the post, a letter of appointment will then be issued," he told reporters after presenting Excellent Service Awards to JAIS staff here.

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