

Umno To Use Card Scanner To Determine Member Eligibility
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KUALA KANGSAR, June 16 (Bernama) -- For the first time, Umno will be using the card scanner system to determine the eligibility of party members in the election process at divisional and branch level.

Umno executive secretary Datuk Abdul Rauf Yusoh said the system was initially confined to the supreme council election during the Umno annual general assembly at Putra World Trade Centre.

"This is the first time that the system will include the divisional and branch level following the amendment to the Umno constitution on the party election process.

"The system is to ensure that only members who are eligible can attend the meetings to elect the grassroots committee and supreme council members," he told reporters here Saturday.

According to him, the party would go on a roadshow to the states to explain to members on the new system.

Earlier, Abdul Rauf and Umno election committee chairman Tan Sri Tajol Rosli Ghazali gave a closed-door briefing on the new system to more than 5,000 Perak Umno members at Dewan Jubli Perak here.

Meanwhile, Perak Umno liaison chairman Datuk Seri Dr Zambry Abdul Kadir said the encouraging turnout by members from 1,700 Umno branches was a good sign in preparation for the party's annual general assembly and branch and divisional elections.

The Umno supreme council had earlier fixed July 15 until Aug 31 for the meetings at branch level while the dates for divisional meetings and the annual general assembly would be based on feedback received by the roadshow team.

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