

**No Time-frame For By-election - PM
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SINGAPORE, Feb 16 (Bernama) -- Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong said there was no fixed time-frame within which he should call for a by-election.

He said this in response to media queries over the opposition Workers' Party (WP) decision to sack its Hougang member of parliament (MP) Yaw Shin Leong yesterday.

Local media reported Lee as saying that Singapore had a general election less than a year ago, and currently, there were many other issues on the national agenda.

The WP expelled Yaw, with immediate effect, amid allegations of an extra-marital affair.

Yaw became MP under WP's ticket in the general election held last May. His sacking from the party paves way for a by-election in Hougang.

At a press conference, WP chairman Sylvia Lim assured Hougang residents that the party would continue to serve them.

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