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## ***Highway concessionaires advised to have own ambulance***

By: (Wed, 17 Feb 2010)

**KLANG (Feb 17, 2010):** Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk T. Murugiah has urged highway concessionaires to set up their own ambulance to provide immediate assistance in the event of road accidents.

He said by having an ambulance complete with paramedics, highway concessionaires could carry out their own rescue operations and cut down travelling time to the hospital.

"One of the reasons why road accident victims could not be saved is because of late assistance from ambulances.

"Therefore, highway operators, as profit-based organisations, can give first aid to victims before they are sent to the nearest hospital," Murugiah, who is also public complaints bureau head, told a news conference at the Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Hospital (Htar) today.

He was commenting on a news report that motorcyclist Irwan Mahzan was left lying on the road for almost an hour before an ambulance from the St John Ambulance Association sent him to Htar, following a road crash on the Kesas Highway at 9.30pm last Friday. - **Bernama**

### ***Court throws out ex-UiTM dean's appeal***

**SHAH ALAM (Feb 17, 2010):** The Shah Alam High Court here today dismissed an appeal by a former dean of Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) Sports Science and Recreation Faculty, Datuk Md Saberi Md Salleh, against his conviction and sentence for corruption.

Judge Datuk Mohd Zaki Md Yassin also dismissed an appeal by an owner of a company supplying sports equipment, Zaleha Abd Rahman, who was found guilty of abetting Md Saberi.

He dismissed their appeals on the ground that sessions court judge Datin Zabariah Mohd Yusof had not erred in her judgment.

On Oct 15, 2008, Zabariah had sentenced Md Saberi to three years' jail and fined RM10,000 for affirming an invoice for the supply of sports equipment totalling RM138,600 when no equipment had been supplied.

The same penalty was also imposed on Zaleha, who signed the false document, for abetment. - **Bernama**

**GEORGE TOWN:** DAP parliamentary leader Lim Kit Siang has reasoned that the Pakatan Rakyat's current tribulations would provide a "shake-out" to bring about improvements in the coalition, and make it formidable for the next general elections.

The MP for Ipoh Timor yesterday (17 Feb 2010) admitted to problems in the PR, but said the coalition was determined to make the upcoming 13th general election a successful one with the aim of taking over the federal government.

"We admit that Pakatan Rakyat is undergoing internal problems but a shake-out in the PR will be to the good if it leads to a more disciplined, cohesive and committed political movement for change for the people and country," he said.

Lim was referring to the current situation faced by the PR with certain elected representatives engaging in dissension with the leadership.

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