

# Panel wants NFC probe to be concluded quickly

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Investigation into the National Feedlot Centre (NFC) scandal should be concluded immediately in order to give justice to all quarters, said the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission's (MACC) Operation Evaluation Panel (OEP).

Its chairman Tan Sri Dr Hadenan Abdul Jalil said the investigation must be concluded as soon as possible to prevent any further speculation.

"The MACC has initially completed and submitted its investigation

papers but they were returned by the Attorney-General's Chambers for further investigation."

He said this after chairing the panel's special meeting at the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Academy here yesterday.

Dr Hadenan added that the panel had also been briefed about the investigation process in its previous meeting. "The case is being investigated by both the police and the MACC," he said.

The NFC came under fire follow-

ing the Auditor-General's 2010 Report that the cattle breeding project had failed to meet its target.

On the meeting, Dr Hadenan said the panel had discussed, among others, three high-profile cases, including one that involved the Kelantan Menteri Besar's son-in-law, Abdul Ariffahmi Abd Rahman.

The case against Abdul Ariffahmi, who is also the former chief executive officer of Kelantan Menteri Besar Corporation, had been closed due to the prosecution's lack of evidence,

he said.

Abdul Ariffahmi was investigated by the MACC for alleged misappropriation and abuse of power.

Dr Hadenan said the investigation into the Selangor sand-mining scandal involving Seri Muda assemblyman Shuhaimi Shafie and Batu Caves assemblyman Amirudin Shari was ongoing.

"The panel has agreed that the case should be reviewed by the MACC's legal division," he explained.

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