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Fishermen to donate part of catch to government

MUAR, Mon. - Members of the Parit Jawa Fishermen's Association will donate 15 per cent of a day's catch or wages towards helping the Government strengthen the economy.

This was unanimously resolved at its meeting last night, said association secretary Yap Ee Tiam.

Yap said a special committee had been formed to collect donations from the 200-plus members at the Parit Jawa fishing village and submit them to the Treasury.

He said although their catch had dwindled due to pollution and illegal trawling, the inshore fishermen would not neglect their obligation to the country.

"It is time Malaysians of all walks of life show their love and patriotism to the country.

"We want to demonstrate to the world, especially to those undermining our economy, that Malaysians are united," he added.

Yap said the association had also pledged to stand solidly behind Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, his deputy Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and other national leaders in tackling the problems.

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