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Pen books on Malaysia, locals urged

PETALING JAYA, Thurs. - Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi today called on more Malaysians to come forward and write books on various aspects regarding the country and struggles of the people.

"This will be a good move as others would be able to read about how their fellow Malaysians feel and it could serve as a valuable experience.

"For example, our recent economic slowdown. Many quarters suggested various ways to overcome the problem but it was the wise decision made by our Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad which helped us overcome the problems."

Abdullah, who is also the Home Minister, said this in his speech at the launching of a book, Malaysia's Economic Recovery: Policy Reforms for Economic Sustainability, by Tan Sri Ramon V. Navaratnam.

Asked on Navaratnam's book, Abdullah said it could be used as a guide in future for Malaysians to obtain more information on the country's economic issues and the problems faced.

The book, at RM59 a copy, examines the condition of the Malaysian economy and what the Government and corporate bodies should do to build a sustainable economy.

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