



Abdullah and Najib with a copy of the 9MP.

Malaysians urged to work together

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KUALA LUMPUR: The Ninth Malaysia Plan has set the stage for Malaysians to work together to create wealth, regardless of race.

MCA president Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting said the people should engage in partnerships and joint ventures for their common good.

"Not once was it mentioned that this plan would be exclusively set for a particular race," he said when met at the Parliament lobby.

Ong said the question of who should get what or how much should not arise as all worked together to create a strong nation.

The Housing and Local Government Minister said all Malaysians should be proactive in addressing challenges posed by the plan.

"They should be creative in

creating wealth and joint ventures to ensure that the economic cake is expanded rapidly so that everyone can get more opportunities," he added.

Describing the plan as visionary, strategic and balanced, he said it was the blueprint for Malaysians to face globalisation.

Ong was happy that public housing would continue to be given emphasis.

"The local and the public delivery system involving local councils will be further enhanced. New village development will also be given emphasis."

He said the 9MP planned to eradicate poverty and bring it to zero in 2010.

Ong said MCA would fully support the plan with plans afoot to brief community leaders on its dynamics.