

# 'Similarities are our strength'

## PM: Unity goes a long way in efforts to rebuild nation

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**PETALING JAYA:** The Malaysian Family needs to work together to revive the country and adapt to the new norms amid challenging economic times and a health crisis, says Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob.

"In spite of differences, we have to make it an advantage, rather than a disadvantage.

"With similarities, we make them a source of strength," he said.

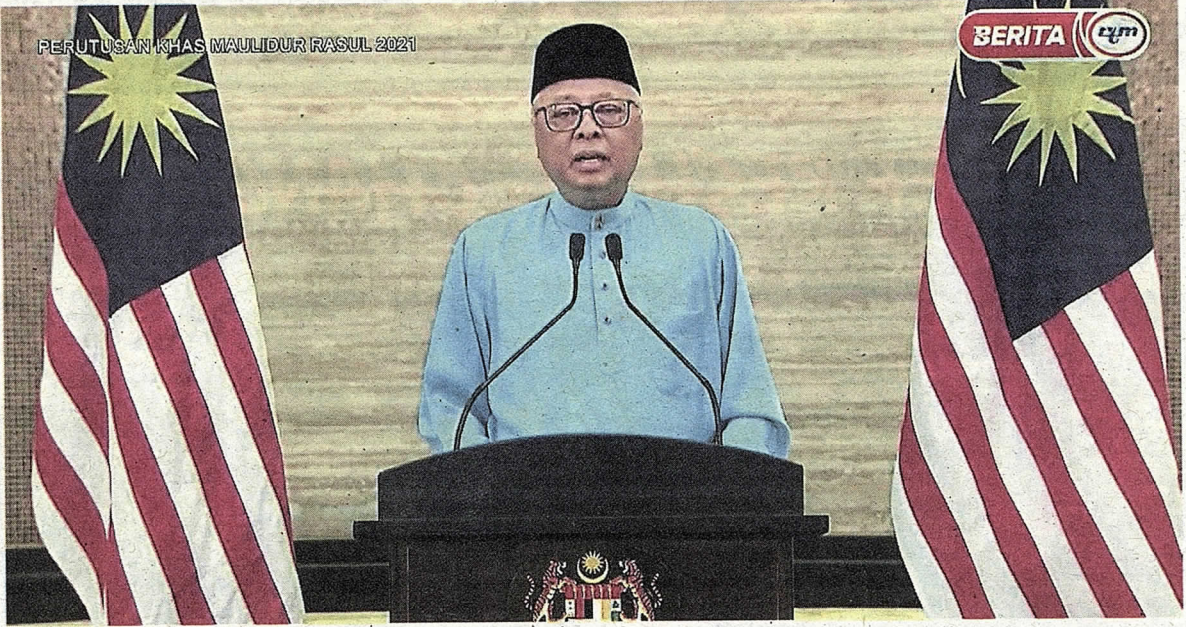
He said the rakyat should work towards strengthening unity with a bond of love and tolerance as a large Malaysian Family.

"Whoever we are, whether a father, mother, son, neighbour, employee, head of office, community leader, religious leader or political leader, each of us needs to play a role in rebuilding this country for the welfare of the Malaysian Family," he said during his Maulidur Rasul address yesterday.

Ismail Sabri said the ups and downs of a nation lay in its unity and solidarity.

"Although we have different opinions, platforms or ways of approach, they must not cause the loss of the value of ukhuwah and the spirit of unity that has been forged for so long.

"With the example of the exemplary Prophet Muhammad SAW, the Government has and will follow his strategy and initiative as a guide in the administration for the prosperi-



**Vital reminder:** During his Maulidur Rasul address, Ismail Sabri called on the Malaysian Family to work together in overcoming challenges. — Photo taken from Ismail Sabri's Facebook page

ty of the Malaysian Family.

"Policies, initiatives and incentives will be launched and planned by the Government to ensure that no one will be left behind in enjoying the prosperity of the country," he added.

He noted that the theme for the Maulidur Rasul celebration this year is "Manhaj Rabbani, Ummah Berkualiti" which brings the people closer to the norms of life that emphasise the basic principles of mercy, peace, godliness, devotion and justice.

"All these values are in line with the Malaysian Family concept which emphasises three main thrusts - inclusion, togetherness and gratitude - in addition to 20 other values such as the practice of compassion, faith, love, affection and deliberation," he said.

Ismail Sabri added that the theme was also in line with the National Unity Policy which focused on "Unity In Diversity", with national unity and integration having long been practised in the country.

"This recognition directly contributes towards producing a generation that has a spirit of unity and togetherness, as well as mutual respect in line with the concept of the Malaysian Family.

"Communities have to work together and carry out responsibilities as a family," he said.

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