

**MIC Willing To Swap Seats With BN Component Parties - Palanivel**  
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KLANG, Sept 10 (Bernama) -- The MIC is willing to swap seats allocated to the party with other Barisan Nasional (BN) component parties in the next general election, party president Datuk G. Palanivel said today.

He said the party was prepared to swap any seat if there was a good reason to do so and if it would help the BN win the seat.

"We will not let go of the seats we already have but are always willing to talk about swapping with BN component parties," he told reporters after launching an information technology seminar near here.

Palanivel said the party was allocated nine parliamentary and 19 state seats in the last general election, in 2008. The party won three parliamentary and seven state seats.

He said preparations were going on to wrest back all the seats which the party lost.

Palanivel, who is Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, advised all MIC branch chairmen to equip themselves with adequate ICT knowledge to counter the allegations made by irresponsible quarters against the party via the Internet.

He also said that the branch chairmen should ensure that their websites were active in order to respond to public complaints and so on.

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