

Fifteen percent of MCA members not registered to vote
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GEORGE TOWN (Aug 14, 2011):About 15% of MCA members are yet to register as voters.

Deputy Home Minister Datuk Lee Chee Leong said that this group of members, who are mostly young voters, need to be registered in view of the impending General Election.

"The younger voters take up a large number.

"It is crucial that we build close rapport with this group of people," he said.

Lee, who is also party central committee, said the party must activate its election machinery to prepare for the election and put more effort in registering voters.

"We must compile their data and contact details so we can maintain close contact and keep them updated," he said in his opening speech during the Penang Wanita MCA state convention held at Vistana Hotel Penang today.

Lee also suggested that MCA should also train more Information Technology (IT) experts to respond to statements made by Pakatan Rakyat leaders in the 'cyber war'.

"Instead of being attacked, we must take the initiative to seek more channels to connect to the people via social media like Facebook and Twitter," said the Kampar MP who is also in an MCA central committee member.

He added that MCA should also respond to certain issues in politics, economics, humanity and education quickly to make known their stance.

"The next general election is crucial to us and all party members must work hand-in-hand and point our guns towards the opposition," he said.

Around 200 delegates attended the convention. Also present were state MCA Wanita chairman Tan Cheng Liang, state party secretary Lau Chiek Tuan, state Youth chief Eng Hiap Boon and several other party leaders.

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