

Chua Urges Chinese Community To Continue Supporting Government
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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 20 (Bernama) -- MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Chua Soi Lek has urged the Chinese community to continue supporting the government which has been proven, tested and has a good track record in developing the nation.

He said, with the harsh realities of a more trying economy confronting the nation, this was a time for all Malaysians to consolidate, rather than experiment.

"In the face of economic uncertainty, there is no room for the people to experiment. A solid and effective government hinges on the trust placed by the rakyat on the policies that have been carefully planned to address the concerns of the nation," he said in his Chinese New Year message Friday.

"This is crucial as the 13th General Election will likely be held. The people, especially Chinese, should not attempt to do balancing act to have a check-and-balance government.

"In their haste, they may end up with the wrong government of their choice," he said.

He added, the people partnership was vital in ensuring that the government received the full backing in carrying out its plans and programmes for the better good of the people.

Dr Chua said the nation needed a favorable climate for all businesses to thrive well, so that the economy would continue to grow immensely and with greater pace.

"We have to put on our thinking cap and work together with other races to ride through this challenging period. We should not be divided in our quest to make Malaysia prosper," he noted.

He said Malaysians should persevere through the difficult patches and the better times were sure to come soon, adding that they could not rest on their laurels and expect miracles to happen.

Dr Chua said the festive period was perfect timing for the various races in the country to enrich themselves with the knowledge of the cultures, tradition and religious practices of their fellow neighbours, colleagues and friends.

He advised those making their way back to their respective hometowns to drive safely and observe the speed limit at all times.

"Let us hope that the Dragon Year will bring forth greatness to our country's economy, political stability, and a better future for all Malaysians," he said.

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