

MCA to hold forum on religion and unity
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PETALING JAYA: Following the success of its forum on the implications of the hudud law last year, MCA think-tank Insap is organising another discussion, this time on religion and unity.

The public forum, themed "Religion and Unity in a Multi-ethnic Society" will be held at the Sime Darby Convention Centre next Saturday.

Deputy Youth and Sports Minister Gan Ping Sieu will present the opening speech on "Religion and the Constitution" followed by Yayasan 1Malaysia board of trustees chairman Prof Dr Chandra Muzaffar who will talk about "Religion and the quest for unity".

Other invited speakers include Malaysian Bar president Lim Chee Wee, Universiti Teknologi Mara law expert Prof Emeritus Datuk Dr Shad Saleem Faruqi, Malaysian Assembly of Mosque Youth chairman Dr Mohammad Nawar Ariffin, Christian Federation of Malaysia (CFM) executive secretary Tan Kok Beng as well as representatives from the Malaysian Hindu Sangam.

Insap's previous forum, "Hudud and Its Implications on Non-Muslims in Malaysia", on Dec 4, was aimed at exploring the legal, socio-political and economic implications of hudud in a multi-racial society, and discussing the impact of a dual criminal law system in the country.

Insap had also co-organised the fiery debate between MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Chua Soi Lek and DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng last month.

The half-day forum, which will be moderated by Association of Voices of Peace, Conscience and Reason (PCORE) president Datin Halimah Mohd Said, will be followed by a question and answer session before the closing remarks by Insap chairman Tan Sri Dr Fong Chan Onn

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