

**Launch offensive towards DAP, MCA president urges members**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 26 — MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Chua Soi Lek today pitted party members against the DAP, calling for a more “offensive” approach when facing its greatest political foe in the coming “do-or-die” general election.

He said party unity “is of utmost importance in facing the GE”.

“All MCA members should help to promote its activities at the grassroots level and giving good service with emphasis on publicity, not only via the traditional media but the new media as well,” Dr Chua (picture) said in his address to delegates during MCA’s 63rd anniversary celebration here.

“We have to face our opponents with a combined force of the Youth, Wanita and central body,” he said.

“If we cannot get support from within our own ranks, we cannot expect to get support from outside the party,” he added.

Saying the party “will be a formidable force if we stay intact”, Dr Chua said unity and stability in the party are the most basic condition or prerequisite in facing an election.

“It cannot be denied that the stability and unity in the party has enabled us to be more focused in solving problems and to be able to implement programmes or activities beneficial to the rakyat,” he said.

“Unity is important within the party. It is not for me, nor for the leaders but for MCA, BN and future of this country,” he added.

The MCA president also told members to accept the fact that the people won’t support a party that is besieged with problems.

“We have to set our priorities right so that we can move in one direction. The way forward is to be in sync with one another and work in one common effort but having many goals,” he said, adding that there is “no room for splinter groups within the party as it will destroy what we have built in the last six decades”.

“There is no denial there are internal bickering but the priority now is to build a strong foundation of growth for the party as well as the nation,” he said.

“We need to continue to evolve, innovate and anticipate so that we can be an inspiring force in the Malaysia of tomorrow.”

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