

**MIC Deputy President Conveys New Year Wishes To Malaysian Indian Community
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KUALA LUMPUR, April 13 (Bernama) -- MIC deputy president Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam has conveyed to the Indian community in the country, a very happy Tamil New Year, Vishu and Vaisakhi celebration, which fall Sunday.

The Tamils celebrate the Tamil New Year while the Malayalees and the Sikhs, Vishu and Vaisakhi, respectively.

Dr Subramaniam, who is also human resources minister, called on the Indian community to be resilient and make use of the opportunities created by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak to uplift its socio-economic status.

"This year, the Tamil New Year (Vijaya Varusham) means success, so whatever starts after that, is auspicious. The Indian community must remain united and also give priority to their children's education," he said.

Dr Subramaniam is confident that the new year would be productive for the community.

Meanwhile, the Malaysian Associated Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (MAICCI) President Datuk K.K. Eswaran also extended his wishes to the Indian community on the occasion of the three celebrations.

He said, in line with the prime minister's vision, every cultural festival was deemed a national celebration, rather than restricted to one community.

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