

Maicci: Opposition manifesto merely a fantasy
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PETALING JAYA: Pakatan Rakyat's manifesto is yet another attempt by the opposition coalition to fulfil their election fantasy, says the Malaysian Associated Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (Maicci).

Its president Datuk K.K. Eswaran said the manifesto was created to confuse the *rakyat* with "heaven and earth" promises without explaining how it could be implemented.

"While the Opposition accuse Barisan Nasional of bankrupting the country, I believe that the Opposition manifesto will bring about a worse crisis if they are elected," he said in a statement yesterday.

Eswaran pointed out that Opposition Leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim was at the helm of the country and almost handed over the nation's sovereignty to the International Monetary Fund during the Asian financial crisis in 1997.

He lauded the Government's move to allocate RM28mil to small-scale farmers, adding that it reflected on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's concern for their well-being.

Eswaran added that the Prime Minister's push for innovative ideas that would boost the agricultural sector would help raise the fishermen and farmers' standard of living.

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