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# FESTIVE TREAT FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

More than 100 guests enjoy dinner and lucky draw hosted by insurer

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THE atmosphere at YMCA Hall in Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur was nothing but cheery and celebratory as 137 visually impaired-guests under the Malaysian Foundation for the Blind (MFB) met for a Hari Raya do.

Hosted by MCIS Insurance Bhd, the event saw guests being treated to a hearty meal and various lucky draw prizes.

They may not be able to see, or just partially, but they still took the opportunity to enjoy themselves, laughing and catching up with one another as they dined.

Telephone operator Ho Siew Wah said he was glad to be treated to a festive dinner.

"I feel good and am very happy to be given the privilege to celebrate Hari Raya with my friends and MCIS," said the 49-year-old who is fluent in Bahasa Malaysia, English and Chinese.

As for 32-year-old Zarishasna Mohd Ishak, she was happy to celebrate Hari Raya with her friends.

"I seldom have the opportunity to meet them, so this event is a good way for me to catch up with them.

"My family is here and they are enjoying themselves too," said the mother of two.



Vlok (centre) and Silatul Rahim (next to Vlok, in green batik shirt) having a good time with other VIPs, the visually-impaired guests and volunteers at the Hari Raya gathering.

MFB chief executive officer Silatul Rahim Dahman said the foundation was pleased to have MCIS Insurance sponsor and host the festive gathering.

"This is one of the best examples of inclusive society, development, business and citizens of Malaysia," he said.

On a separate note, he encouraged the visually impaired to make the best of what they have.

"We must always look at our abilities and not disabilities. I urge you to continue developing and

empowering yourselves.

"Let's never give up," Silatul Rahim added.

The event with MFB was MCIS Insurance's way of driving home the need for social inclusion beyond festive periods, said MCIS Insurance Bhd chief executive officer Kobus Vlok.

"One of the biggest hallmarks of festive celebrations is that we open up our hearts and homes to people from all walks of life – in being inclusive and accepting differences.

"The visually impaired and others who may be suffering from various forms of disability have so much to offer towards nation building.

"If only we can accept and grant them opportunities, I am confident Malaysia will be among the model nations for socially inclusive developments," he said.

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**மலேசிய கண் பார்வையற்றோர் அறவாரியத்துடன்**  
**ராயா கொண்டாட்டம்**

மலேசிய கண் பார்வையற்றோர் அறவாரியத்துடன் ராயா கொண்டாட்டம். இது ஒரு சிறப்பான நிகழ்வாகும். இது ஒரு சிறப்பான நிகழ்வாகும். இது ஒரு சிறப்பான நிகழ்வாகும்.



வாய்ப்புகளை ஏற்படுத்திக் கொடுப்பதற்கும் அவர்கள் எதிர்பார்க்கிறார்கள் ஆகிய 3 முக்கிய அம்சங்கள் இந்தக் குறும்படத்தில் இடம் பெற்றுள்ளன.

கண்வயான விருந்தினரின் நடைபெற்ற இந்த திகழ்ச்சி கலந்துகொண்ட கண்வயான நிகழ்ச்சிக்கு அன்பளிப்புகள் வழங்கப்பட்டன.

மலேசிய கண் பார்வையற்றோர் அறவாரியத்துடன் இந்த ராயா கொண்டாட்டம், மலேசிய கண் பார்வையற்றோர் அறவாரியத்துடன் வருடாந்திர சமூக நடவடிக்கைகளில் ஒன்று என்பது குறிப்பிடத்தக்கதாகும்.

கண்வயான நிகழ்ச்சியும் சமூகத்தில் ஓர் அங்கமாக ஏற்றுக் கொள்ளுதல், கண்வயான இல்லா மல் இருந்தாலும் கூட அவர்களுக்கு என்று தனித்திறமைகள் இருக்கும் என்பதை ஏற்றுக்கொள்வதும், உடல்பெறு குறைபாடுகள் இல்லாதவர்களை இல்லாதவர்களை ஏற்றுக்கொள்வதும் அல்ல. தங்களுக்கும் சமூகத்தில் உள்ள டக்கமாக ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளப்படும் வாழ்க்கையில் தங்களை மேம்படுத்திக் கொள்வதற்கான

MCIS Insurance recently hosted a Hari Raya dinner for some 200 people suffering from visual impairment and other disabilities.

The objective of the event was to enable individuals suffering from various disabilities to participate in a social function, thus experiencing the true joy of festivities.

MCIS Insurance CEO Kobus Vlok in his speech at the event said, "If the visually impaired and people suffering from various disabilities are given the right opportunities, they will be able to contribute positively towards nation building."

'This Hari Raya, in line with the company's brand strategy, we attempted to bring to the fore a short film type Hari Raya greeting video which was inspired by the achievements of Mr Silatul Rahim (president and founder of Yayasan Orang Buta Malaysia). The aim of the video was to spread the message of:

- a. The need for social inclusion
- b. The need for us to accept that the visually impaired have their own strengths
- c. The disabled community does not need sympathy, it needs acceptance and social inclusion, to help them empower themselves and lead a fulfilling life