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Much to showcase: Ibrahim (second from right) accompanied by his council members from Mara launching the 'Showcase Mara' together.



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ON Feb 1 every year, residents of Kuala Lumpur, Putrajaya and Labuan celebrate Federal Territories' Day and this year, Majlis Amanah Rakyat (Mara) will be brightening the celebrations by organising a Mara Showcase in Medan Mara in Kuala Lumpur from now until Feb 28.

Various activities such as exhibitions, demonstrations and competitions have been organised for the showcase and there are also various exhibition and sales booths set up.

Exhibitors at the showcase include government agencies such as Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL), the Election Commission of Malaysia and the National Population and Family

Development Board.

Visitors will also be able to sample regional delicacies served up by food operators from Johor, Negri Sembilan, Malacca, Pahang, Sabah, Sarawak and Kuala Lumpur at the Mara Kitchen.

"I hope this showcase will foster unity. Many are under the impression that Mara is an agency only for *bumiputra*. However, we also give opportunities to those who are non-*bumiputra*."

"More programmes are being lined up for them," Mara director-general Datuk Ibrahim Ahmad said.

The showcase aims to promote Medan Mara as a tourist destination, with a special focus on the *songket* industry.

Mara offers 415 trading lots for rent in Kuala Lumpur and provides entrepreneurship courses for those seeking to increase their knowledge of the business world.

Aside from entrepreneurship courses, Mara also offers courses in areas such as engineering, technology and skills training at the Mara Professional College of Education (MOE), the Mara High Skills College, the Mara Skills Institute, the German Malaysian Institute, Universiti Kuala Lumpur (UniKL), Mara colleges and polytechnics.

For more information about programmes and services offered by MARA, visit its Kuala Lumpur office in Wisma Koperasi, Medan Tuanku 1, Kuala Lumpur.