

**Tap global
Growth
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Nazrin**

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia should grab the opportunity in an era of global economic growth, the Raja Muda of Perak said last night.

"Prospecting for greater economic opportunities not only in China and India but also elsewhere will be our most important task," Raja Dr Nazrin Shah said during a dinner here with future heads of Malaysian foreign missions.

He said China and India, which were now on the rise again economically, would become the world's largest economies by 2030 if the current trend continued.

Raja Nazrin said India would not be far behind and become the third largest by 2050, while the United States, a superpower since the middle of last century, would slip from its lone pedestal.

"Indeed the whole spectrum of creative diplomacy will be required to reduce suspicion, build trust and clarify issues that will help pave the path towards more cooperative ways to manage international issues."

The dinner was held to honour the ambassadors-designate who had completed the five-day orientation course for heads of mission and their spouses at the Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations. —
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