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KUALA LUMPUR, April 20 (Bernama) -- The role played by people with disabilities (PwDs) in all sectors, including the cooperative movement, could enhance and strengthen the socioeconomic fabric of the community.

Angkatan Koperasi Kebangsaan Malaysia Berhad (Angkasa) president Datuk Seri Dr Abdul Fattah Abdullah said to enable them to continue contributing ideas and energy while generating income, the group was called upon to join various PwD cooperatives that have been established throughout the country.

He said based on statistics released by the Malaysian Cooperative Commission (SKM), until June last year, there were 22 PwD cooperatives established with a membership of 105,000 individuals.

"Angkasa has also created the Koperasi Penyayang Terengganu Berhad Consortium with members of three PwD cooperatives, namely Koperasi PEKA (M) Berhad, Koperasi PERTISS Terengganu Berhad and Koperasi Gerak Wawasan Terengganu Berhad. "Through the establishment of this consortium, (it) can combine the skills of the PwDs from various categories to improve their living standards," he said here today. He said this after the 'Sepakat Ramadan Angkasa Programme' held at Wisma Bernama which was also attended by Bernama chairman Senator Datuk Ras Adiba Radzi.