

## **Hung Parliament will spell trouble for M'sia, warns PM**

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Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak today warned that should the next general election result in a hung Parliament, it would spell trouble for the nation.

"It's most important to have stable and reasonably strong government. It could be through a two-thirds majority or it could be a comfortable simple majority.

"But we do not want a hung Parliament or something that would spell political uncertainty for Malaysia. That is the worst possible outcome we could have.

"If there is no decisive result in the election, it could spell trouble for Malaysia," he said.

foreign correspondents club fcc 190312Najib (right in photo) was answering a question from a Singapore correspondent on his electoral target during a question-and-answer session after launching the Foreign Correspondents Club of Malaysia last night in Kuala Lumpur.

The session was moderated by Romen Bose, the founding president of the club.

On the same question, Najib conceded that regaining BN's two-thirds parliamentary majority is a hard target.

"Realistically, in Malaysia's context, it is becoming more and more challenging to get the two-thirds, and it is also challenging in the context of Singapore as well.

"But we will strive our best to get two-thirds and we will work hard towards it," he said.

The premier then quipped that he had never worked harder before in his life.

"My work schedule now is punishing," he said, citing his working visit to Selangor and Perak over the weekend.

No more monopoly on information

A more educated society, the emergence of the social network, and the absence of a monopoly on information by the authorities as in the past, Najib explained, were all part of the current challenge.

"I would be lying to you if I say I do not want the two-thirds, but I also know that it is going to be much more challenging than ever before (to achieve it)."

If the same question was posed to British Prime Minister David Cameron who is visiting Malaysia next month, Najib said Cameron would be opting for comfortable simple majority.

"In today's democracies, most prime ministers would be over the moon if he or she gets a comfortable simple majority," he reflected.

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