

**Najib: No place in Malaysia for LGBTs**  
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Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak has pledged that the government will protect the sanctity of Islam and ensure deviant culture such as the practise of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) activities will have no place in Malaysia.

Utusan Malaysia today reported Najib as also stressing he would fight against any deviant thought, such as liberalism and pluralism, promoted by certain quarters.

The Umno-owned Malay daily front-paged Najib's speech, which was made when he launched the Ulama Secretariat and his book, titled 'Agenda Islam dalam Transformasi Negara' (Islamic Agenda in National Transformation), yesterday.

In government's efforts to transform Malaysia into a modern and high-income Islamic nation, Najib said, there would be no compromise on the issue of faith and morality.

No election during haj season

"We will ensure that any deviant culture, such as the behaviour of the LGBTs and deviant thoughts such as liberalism and pluralism, will not get any place in this country," he is quoted as saying.

Hinting that the general election will not be called during haj, the premier also took swipe at PAS' earlier statement requesting its members to postpone their haj if the general election coincided with the pilgrimage season.

"They are willing to give higher priority to their party's interest over Islam. Based on the principle of fiqh aulawiyat, priority should be given to the haj because it is fardu ain, compared with voting, which is fardu kifayah.

"But please, believe me, the government always considers all factors before calling for a general election and I will make sure the consideration is in line with Islamic requirements," Najib said.

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