

Najib: Malaysia-China ties at best level in history

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Relations between China and Malaysia are now at the highest level in history, Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak said.

This was agreed by Chinese President Xi Jinping during a meeting of the two leaders in Manila, the Philippines, yesterday.

"Xi says China will give top priority to relations with Malaysia, as well as to continue to give its support to efforts to enhance strategic relations between both countries," said Najib in his latest posting in his blog last night.

Apart from that, during the meeting, Xi also explained on the economic reformation being implemented in China, Najib said.

"Among the important things he touched was on China's intention to double the economic size and per capita income by 2020 based on the 2010 benchmark," he said.

"Although the rate of economic growth in China is slower, but he is confident of China achieving the seven percent rate this year,' he added.

The prime minister said Xi Jinping also expressed appreciation to Malaysia as Asean chair and wanted to also be involved in making Asean an economic community.

"The Chinese president wants to see the Asean Community to be finalised soon. Besides the Asean Community, China also shows high interest in the bid for the Malaysia-Singapore High-Speed Train Project," Najib added.

On the South China Sea issue, Najib said China appreciated the "silent diplomacy" stand taken by Malaysia.

"Our priority is to not create tension, but to emphasise the importance of maintaining peace and harmony," said Najib.

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