

Najib even looked down on his own father, claims Dr M
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The tiny Kedah village of Napoh in Jitra, which is just 18 minutes from Bukit Kayu Hitam, came alive last night with Umno's Team B firing away at Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak.

Heading Team B is former prime minister and ex-Umno member Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his son, Mukhriz, supported by former deputy prime minister Muhyiddin Yassin and ex-federal minister Shafie Apdal.

Dewan Lye Huat, where the event was held from 8.30pm to 11.30pm, was packed with about 2,000 supporters, some dressed in red - the colour of the huge backdrop featuring members of the controversial Team B.

Despite suffering a slight cough, the nonagenarian spoke for almost one hour. Mahathir ended his speech only to leave for his flight back to Kuala Lumpur at midnight.

After blasting Najib for his poor management of the country's resources and for his lavish lifestyle, Mahathir claimed Najib even looked down on his own father, the country's second Prime Minister Abdul Razak Hussein.

"Najib appeared to be good when he had no power, but when he had power, he changed.

"I thought he was like his father but he is not, and he is proud to say he is not like his father," Mahathir said.

"Once, I was in a meeting in Pekan in Pahang, and Najib went up on stage and said he was not like his father; he viewed his father as if he is useless.

"He said he does not wear a bush jacket like his dad, nor does he use a walking stick," Mahathir added.

Mukhriz takes selfie for proof

Mahathir said Najib was unlike Razak even in his style of administering the country, for Najib's slogan is "Cash is King".

"We worship the King but he worships money, he feels he can do anything as long as he gives money to the people," Mahathir added.

Among the audience last night were BN's former opponents PAS Kedah commissioner Mahfuz Omar and Parti Amanah Negara state chief Phahrolrazi Mohd Nawawi.

The Mahathir father-and-son team was accompanied by their wives, and former federal minister Shafie Apdal. Also spotted among the mostly Malay-Muslim crowd was famous national debater Syed Saddiq Syed Abdul Rahman.

The crowd gave Mukhriz a standing ovation when he took a selfie on stage with the audience, saying, "I have to do this, or Mohd Puad Zarkarshi would say that only 200 people turned up at this event."

This is to refute Mohd Puad, an Umno supreme council member and director-general of Department of Special Affairs (Jasa) who recently said Mahathir was **no longer relevant** and did not have any support.

Mukhriz's speech was more focused on Najib's involvement in the 1MDB scandal and the controversial RM2.6 billion in his accounts, claimed to be donations.

He came armed with video clips showing Najib giving different versions of the explanation for the money, which was deposited into his personal bank accounts before the 13th general election in 2013 (GE13).

The crowd booed at a video clip showing attorney-general Mohamed Apandi Ali clearing Najib by saying the PM had returned most of the money to the donor, purportedly from Saudi Arabia.

“Do you believe him?” asked Mukhriz, to which the crowd replied in the negative.

Organised by Jaringan Gelombang Merah, a splinter group of Malay rights group Perkasa, the purpose of the event was to obtain signatures for the Citizens’ Declaration to urge Najib to step down.

Initiated by 45 key leaders, including Mahathir, the [Citizens’ Declaration](#) now seeks one million signatures in a bid to pressure the Conference of Rulers to remove Najib as prime minister, a move the PM has dismissed as “wrong in law”.

Shafie: Unprecedented corruption

During his speech, Shafie said, “Never in my career - which spans seven ministries - had I seen such a scale of corruption,” which stretches from Switzerland to Hong Kong, from Singapore to the Middle East.

He, too, went on to question Najib’s management of the state sovereign fund asking, “Why buy land in Penang, when it is ruled by the DAP, the opposition?”

“Surely, you cannot obtain a developer’s licence to build anything on the land. Why not buy land in Kedah - a BN state?” Shafie queried.

He was referring to Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng pulling the brakes on 1MDB’s purchase of roughly [200 acres](#) of land in Air Itam before GE13.

“The problem is, 1MDB had four levels of leadership, but all three levels were controlled by Najib, as he is the prime minister, finance minister and the person-in-charge of 1MDB,” Shafie said, drawing laughter from the crowd.