

PM: Crisis should be resolved amicably
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Najib Abdul Razak said today he hoped the crisis involving the Kelantan palace would be resolved amicably.

The prime minister said the crisis should not lead to open disputes to the point of accusations and counter accusations being hurled or legal action resorted to within the Royal household.

"I hope the situation will be resolved within the royal household, that would be the best rather than disputing matters openly, hurling accusations or resorting to legal action," he told reporters after simultaneously opening the meetings of several Pekan Umno branches in Pekan today.

He said this when asked to comment on the crisis in the Kelantan palace which has been going for sometime and with the latest development being the hospitalisation of the Sultan of Kelantan Tuanku Ismail Petra at the HUSM in Kota Bharu on Tuesday becoming a bone of contention among the disputing parties.

Najib said the matter (hospitalisation) should be resolved through discussions among the members of the Royal family.

"The issue should be discussed within the family. That is the best solution and the Sultan of Kelantan's health should be made priority," he said.

When asked if the federal government would intervene, Najib said the matter involved the state and Kelantan palace and as such, the federal government would not interfere.

"It is best that this (royal crisis) is settled within the family," said Najib.

Commenting on the issue of Aminulrasyid Amzah, who was killed when hit by a bullet from shots fired by police while he was fleeing from pursuing patrol cars, Najib said he had requested for investigations on the case be done fairly and accurately.

"I believe the case will be solved quickly and the police and Attorney-General will accept any decision made based on the investigation's findings," he said.

In reply to a question about the issue being a topic for bloggers to politicise, Najib said:

"They are taking advantage of the issue while we are trying to seek the truth for Aminulrasyid's family and the police."

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