

Najib: MCA leaders have agreed for fresh polls
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Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak said today MCA leaders have agreed in principle to hold fresh party elections.

The prime minister said, however, that they needed time to submit their resignation letters to enable the polls to be held.

"The MCA is aware that it has to resolve the conflict (within the party) in a specific time frame. If it cannot be speeded up, it should not be delayed too much," he said after attending the fifth workshop in a series on the National Key Result Areas (NKRAs).

Najib said the MCA had not set a specific time frame for its leaders to submit their resignation letters for the fresh elections to be held.

"The leaders are still discussing to get a consensus among them. The fact that they have not submitted their letters of resignation does not mean they will not do so some time in the future.

"It all depends on the understanding that they can reach in due course. The only thing left is the timing of the elections in the MCA. But the principle of having an election is accepted," said Najib, who is also the BN chairperson.

The prime minister was asked to comment on claims that certain MCA leaders were reluctant to resign to enable the party elections to be held in the effort to resolve the leadership conflict in the party.

Asked on the latest developments in the MCA, Najib said there had been no developments and he was waiting for the next move of the party's leaders.

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