

Bad impact on people if BN loses power, says PM
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KUALA LUMPUR - Prime Minister Najib Tun Razak has reminded the people that the country's development programmes and people's welfare will be adversely affected if the Barisan Nasional (BN) government loses the power to rule.

Therefore, he said, the people must use wisely their voting power in the elections.

"We should remind ourselves that 'if the calamansi loses its fragrance' (taken from rocker Ramli Sarip's song rendered earlier at the function)...if we lose our power, even noble projects can be rejected outright.

"Let's not allow history to repeat itself (referring to the result of the 2008 general election). We have the choice to change," he said in his address at a dinner function organised by the Poverty Eradication Foundation (YBK), here, Thursday night.

Najib also expressed regret over the rejection by the Selangor government of YBK's plan to build a Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) campus in Serendah.

"My dream is to see the YBK site to still be developed even if the project is not a UiTM campus. It can be developed to help the poor. But this can materialise if Selangor is ruled again by BN," he said.

Najib also said that the government had never and would not neglect the poor and less fortunate despite its focus on many transformation programmes like the National Key Result Areas, New Economic Model and the Tenth Malaysia Plan.

"We are always studying what is being done...in every government endeavour, we will not forget to include the poor and less fortunate.

"There is no other government in the world which has done what the Malaysian government had, is doing or will be doing," he said. - Bernama

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