

Najib: Visits To Sarawak Is As PM
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KUCHING -- Najib Tun Razak said today that his frequent visits to Sarawak lately should not be questioned because he came as the Prime Minister of Malaysia to meet the people of the state and know their problems.

He asked why the opposition was making his visits an issue when the DAP and PKR had come in full force to campaign for the state election on Saturday.

"(DAP adviser) Lim Kit Siang, (PKR adviser) Anwar Ibrahim are here for campaigning. Lim Guan Eng left his job as the Chief Minister of Penang only for campaigning," he told reporters here.

Najib, who was at a meet-the-people session at Sadong Jaya near here, was asked by reporters to comment on remarks by the opposition that he had come to Sarawak to campaign for Barisan Nasional candidates.

Najib said the opposition parties, especially the DAP, were more aggressive than BN in their campaign.

Najib acknowledged that the election was the hardest-fought in the state's history, but was confident that BN would win because of the good cooperation among the component parties in Sarawak and the peninsula.

"I find that many are inclined to support and choose BN. We work as a team to help our candidates. We know where we are strong and where we face fierce opposition.

"If nothing extraordinary happens we will continue in power. The first thing to achieve is a simple majority to form the government. Next, we need a two-thirds majority to facilitate our administration," Najib said.

He added: "Don't look at figures. Every election has ups and downs. We have our target but there is no need to announce it."

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