



Najib speaking to reporters at Parliament lobby after the Ninth Malaysia Plan was tabled.

All citizens will benefit from plan, says Najib

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KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Najib Razak has saluted the Ninth Malaysia Plan as one that will benefit all Malaysians.

The Deputy Prime Minister hailed the Plan as Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi's "great vision" for the nation.

He said the Prime Minister had envisioned a fair and equitable distribution of the nation's wealth for all communities.

"Every Malaysian will enjoy from the rapid and continuous



economic growth, wider education opportunities and a larger role for the private sector," he said when commenting on the 9MP.

Najib said the Government had given the assurance that Bumiput-

eras lagging behind would be empowered and protected.

"This will be implemented through strategies to strengthen competitiveness, bridging the income gap and upgrading equity and wealth," he said.

He said the RM200 billion development allocation as well as the RM20 billion fund through the private finance initiative (PFI) would act as the catalyst for economic expansion.

"This will enable us to generate growth and ensure fair and equitable distribution of wealth."

On the implementation of projects, he said an integrated ap-

proach would be adopted where ministries would co-operate with each other and with agencies to embark on specific projects and programmes.

Najib, who had seconded Abdullah's motion on the Plan in Parliament, said all sectors should have an immediate shift in mindset to reject inefficiency and incompetence.

They should also gear themselves for precision culture and result-based and performance-oriented methods.

The 9MP would not be fully achieved without noble values, ethics and integrity, he added.