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## Progress will be shared all the way

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"If the GTP succeeds, it means that Malaysia has made a very big change and once again, we will be in the forefront of change."

Najib said the government would remain steadfast and continue to achieve the targets in the GTP although there were challenges ahead.

He gave an assurance to the public that the government would share each step of the transformation journey with them. An annual report will be published in the first quarter of next year.

"In my first annual report, I will share information on the progress made on the implementation, the success achieved, targets not achieved and our action plan on how to improve performance wherever required."

He said as a responsible government, it was also prepared to be assessed by the rakyat.

"In a parliamentary democracy, if the people feel that we cannot fulfil our promises to them, we are aware of the risks. It is up to the people to evaluate on whether we can keep our word (in implementing the six NKRAAs)," he said.

Najib wants the people to be able to "see, touch and feel" the measures taken under the GTP.

"The government will not stop until the people can see, touch and experience the improvements in their lives.

"God willing, with the com-

mitment of all parties, we will succeed," he said.

The prime minister also lauded the civil servants, who had shown extraordinary spirit in putting together the GTP.

He saw this from his visits to the NKRA labs.

"Some of them provided lengthy explanations in a non-stop manner. Some conducted meetings up to 5am. This was something unheard of before this," he said to cheers from the audience.

He said he was assured that all levels of the civil service, from the Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Sidek Hassan, right down to the lowest level, are committed to the GTP.

Among those present at the launch were Deputy Prime Minister and Education Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, former prime ministers Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, cabinet ministers and senior government officers.

Besides the 261-page edition, the GTP roadmap also comes in a 37-page edition, 20-page edition and compact disc.

Tongue-in-cheek, Najib said the 261-page edition was meant for "a person who reads diligently, the 37-page for a person who reads in a less-than-diligent manner, the 20-page edition for a lazy person and the compact disc for a person who does not read at all".

"It covers everyone," he said to laughter from the audience.

“Our approach is two-pronged, that is, we must be big and we must be bold... (it) would mean the people will realise this is a big and meaningful change.”

— Datuk Seri Najib Razak



# Bold moves for big changes

KUALA LUMPUR: Big results fast. That is the thrust of the government transformation programme (GTP) launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak yesterday.

This was also what the rakyat wanted from the government based on the feedback received during the three National Key Result Areas (NKRAs) Open Days in Subang Jaya, Selangor, Kuching and Kota Kinabalu.

"The government's transformation programme will take a new radical approach, which will result in important changes being undertaken to bring about big and fast benefits.

"The government will ensure that each and every citizen will enjoy the fruits of national development," Najib said at the launch of the GTP.

The GTP is contained in a 261-page book, which outlined the outputs and targeted outcomes of the NKRAs and ministerial key performance indicators (KPIs) of the ministers and ministries.

Malaysia is said to be the only country to undertake this bold transformation approach, led by the prime minister and his cabinet and supported by the chief secretary to the government and the civil service.

Najib described the GTP and NKRAs as "a new methodology introduced by the government in keeping with the changing environment and times".

"This new methodology, however, does not mean that the government of the day is a new government.

"It (the GTP) was drawn up to

ensure that the government can achieve the national objectives of meeting the aims of Vision 2020."

He said the early years of independence witnessed bold, creative and innovative government measures, especially in the renewal of land through the opening of Felda, systematic development of rural areas through the operations room system and red book method, five-year plans and the formulation of economic policies focused on poverty eradication and equity growth.

"As a result, we achieved commendable socio-economic development. But to ensure continued success, we should be in the forefront of change and development.

### THE GTP IN A NUTSHELL

#### CORRUPTION

Nine initiatives to regain public trust.

Four federal agencies have lowest perceived integrity.

#### CRIME

Police officers, from the rank of inspectors and above, to take part in walkabouts. This will be considered in their performance appraisals.

#### EDUCATION

The ranking of all 10,000 primary and secondary schools to be published beginning this year.

#### TRANSPORT

Rakyat can expect efficient and comfortable public transport.

#### RURAL BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

RM18 billion over the next three years to improve the livelihood of the rural community.

#### POVERTY

Government to eradicate hardcore poverty and reduce poverty rate from 3.6 per cent to 2.8 per cent this year.

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