

Newspaper	The Star
Date	30/11/2012

Dr M: Speech a morale booster for party members

The Star - 30/11/12

TUN Dr Mahathir Mohamad commended Umno president Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's speech saying it was the "perfect morale booster" for party members.

"It covered all areas as well as answered allegations made by the opposition parties.

"The spirit shown by party leaders and members at this general assembly is tremendous. This assembly is different from others," he said.

He was also confident the party would become stronger but members must be humble in order to serve the people better.

"Even the Prime Minister himself is humble. If we are going to serve the people, then we must not be arrogant," he said.

Parti Bersatu Sabah president Tan Sri Joseph Pairin Kitingan said the speech showed Barisan Nasional was the only party that will ensure a better future for the people.

"The landscape of politics has changed but Barisan is still a relevant party under the Prime Minister's leadership."

Calling it "the mother of all speeches", Wanita Umno chief Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil said the Prime Minister answered all the key issues raised by the Opposition.

"He explained what would happen to the country if the Opposition were to take over the Government."

Gerakan president Tan Sri Koh Tsu Koon said he was impressed by Najib's speech, as the Prime Minister even apologised for the party's mistakes in the past.

He added that he was confident that the speech would inspire Barisan members to continue their fight for the country.