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PM orders thorough probe into incident

SAD NEWS: Najib wants full details of how tragedy occurred

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PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak has ordered a comprehensive investigation into the helicopter crash that killed six, including former science, technology and innovation minister and Rompin member of parliament, Tan Sri Dr Jamaluddin Jarjis, in Jalan



Sungai Lalang, Kampung Pasir Baru, near here yesterday.

"The investigation must cover all aspects. We want to know the cause of this tragedy. It is still too early to

tell what had actually happened," he said at the crash site yesterday.

Najib hopes that the investigation could be carried out as soon as possible.

He arrived at the crash site at 9.45 pm, together with his wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, daughter Nooryana Najwa, and son-in-law, Daniyar Kessikbayev.

Najib said he prayed that Jamaluddin and Azlin be placed among the righteous.

Najib, who is also Umno president, said both men had contributed immensely to the government and the party.

"I know Jamaluddin from our university days and we are very close," Najib said.

He also described Jamaluddin as a capable person who played a major role in strengthening the relationship between Malaysia and the United States during the latter's stint as the ambassador to the US.

Later, in a statement, Najib said: "This is a tragedy for the loved ones of the six people who have been lost. My thoughts and prayers are with them all.

"I am personally grief-struck. Tan Sri Jamaluddin Jarjis was my friend of many years, and no truer friend

could I have. Datuk Azlin Alias was my chief of staff and a truly outstanding government servant."

Najib also said the contributions of the two men to the government, Umno and Malaysia, were very significant.

"They were an example of national service that we should all emulate. I have ordered an immediate investigation into the cause of the tragedy. It is too early to say why this happened. But no stone will be left unturned," Najib said.

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