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**Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak** offering prayers for Maal Hijrah at Masjid Negara yesterday. With him are former prime minister **Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi** (right) and **Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Jamil Khir Baharom** (left). Pic by Asyraf Hamzah

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## Najib urges people to lean on Islamic law

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak has called on Malaysians to continue supporting the path towards transformation by upholding *wasatiyyah* (moderation).

In his Maal Hijrah greeting yesterday, Najib said to push Malaysia forward, the people should lean on the *Maqasid al-Syariah* (goals and objectives of Islamic law) and be steadfast on the *Sunnah Wal Jamaah* (teachings of the Prophet Muham-

mad as prescribed by Sunni Islam).

"Although we are facing economic and political challenges, with Allah's continuous blessing, our goal to become a developed and prosperous nation will still go on," he said in his blog, NajibRazak.com yesterday.

The world, he said, was facing varying degrees of extremism, with the Islamic State smearing the name of Islam with horrendous acts.

"An Islamic nation's role is to promote competition through honour, knowledge, goodness, sympathy and humility, all of which can be done without force," he said.

Meanwhile, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi hoped Muslims would continue to be blessed and remain grateful.

He wished all Muslims the best in celebrating the Maal Hijrah.