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Najib chairs
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PUTRAJAYA: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak chaired the first meeting of the National Export Council (NEC), set up to serve as a catalyst to propel Malaysia's exports.

In a statement released after the meeting here yesterday, the council said its formation was aimed at boosting exports through better Facilitation, including improving processes, procedures, regulations and documentation for exports, infrastructure, certification requirements and logistics.

"The Government is putting in place a comprehensive roadmap to strengthen the nation's exports amidst challenges in the global market," it said.

The roadmap, said the council, would encompass initiatives to address the gaps in the export ecosystem and deepen market access for exporters via market links, industry specialists and specialised promotion programmes.

The strategic action, it added, would be aligned with sectors targeted under the 11th Malaysia Plan and the National Key Economic Areas.

Also present at the meeting were Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Dr Ali Hamsa, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Abdul Wahid Omar, International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed and Khazanah Nasional Bhd Managing Director Tan Sri Azman Mokhtar.

Set up last year, the NEC focuses on three aspects - the export chain, logistics and output. — Bernama