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SIMON KHOO, T. AVINESHWARAN and D. KANYAKUMARI at Gerakan's national delegates conference yesterday

# Najib: Have faith in Govt

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BN will continue to be moderate and progressive, says PM

SHAH ALAM: Malaysians should have faith in the ruling government, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

"We will continue to be a moderate and progressive Barisan Nasional.

"I am, however, aware about statements made by some individuals in Umno and Barisan Nasional. But believe in us, believe in our policies and leadership," he said.

Addressing Gerakan's national delegates conference, he said political leaders who made certain comments should be dealt with.

"I think we should; whether through law enforcement or party discipline. At the same time, we

hope the 'other party' should not be so rude.

For every action, there will be a reaction. Do not insult the leadership of this country.

"If you do not believe in it, you have a chance every five years. We believe in democracy and going back to the *rakyat*. So do not hurl insults or humiliate the leaders of Malaysia," he said.

He said the people must believe in Umno and Barisan, adding that the coalition would always seek consensus in its decisions.

Najib noted that he was criticised for repealing the Internal Security Act (ISA).

"People say Malaysia is a police

state now. But check how many people are arrested now and how many people were arrested by previous leadership under ISA?" he said.

Najib said the Opposition would always stir up hatred, especially through social media.

Meanwhile, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Azalina Othman Said issued a statement, saying that Petaling Jaya Selatan MP Hee Loy Sian had the right to submit a motion for a vote of no-confidence against Najib in the Dewan Rakyat.

Azalina, who is in charge of parliamentary affairs, noted however that it was a private motion and that precedence would be given to

Bills and government motions, as stipulated in the Standing Orders.

"We are confident that the Dewan Rakyat Speaker will give fair consideration to all the motions submitted for the day," she said.

In Taiping, ANJIT KAUR reports DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng as saying that the no-confidence motion should be tabled by the Opposition Leader.

It would be difficult for an individual Opposition MP to pull it off, he said at the state DAP convention yesterday.

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