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# 'The people must come first'

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## Najib outlines formula to ensure success in Sarawak

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Put aside personal ambitions and gains and focus on the people's interest – this is Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's formula to continue to win over Sarawak.

He said personal ambitions or interests should not be the factors to obstruct Barisan's success in retaining power in Sarawak and ensuring the well-being of the people.

"Soon, we will face the Sarawak state election. I want all quarters, from the top leadership to the grassroots, to stay united and put the interests of the people above their own. Let us close ranks, strengthen our solidarity and ensure that Sarawak will remain blue under Barisan's rule," he said on his blog *NajibRazak.com*.

In his post, Najib also shared his experience during his two-day visit to the state and expressed the Federal Government's commitment to continue leading the way for Sarawak's development to be on par with the development in the peninsula.

"People-based major projects, such as the construction of the Pan Borneo Highway, Batang Sadong Bridge, improvement of infrastructure, especially of old and obsolete educational institutions, had begun and would continue to be planned to ensure that the people of Sarawak will not be left out of national modernisation," he said.

On matters raised by the state government concerning the delegation of power, Najib said discussions on the matter were still ongoing on a positive note.



**Motivated leaders:** Najib greeting (from left) Deputy High Commissioner to Malaysia Mohamed Fahmy Hassan, Swiss ambassador Michael Winzap and Afghanistan ambassador Atiqullah Atifmal at Perdana Putra in Putrajaya. — Bernama

"*Insha-Allah* (God willing), the process, although it may take some time, is for the best interests of the state and the people," he said.

The Prime Minister also touched on the leadership of Chief Minister Tan Sri Adenan Satem, which in his opinion was very well accepted by the people, both in urban and remote areas.

"Tan Sri Adenan is a leader who understands clearly the needs and requirements of the local people. This is the kind of leaders that we want, that the people want.

"Tan Sri never hesitated to voice out his opinion and suggestion to the Federal Government if he thinks it is for the benefit of the people and the state," he said.

As such, Najib said he and the chief minister would continue making proper plans to ensure that the state would equally benefit from national development and prosperity.

"No one, either in urban or rural areas, will be marginalised or left out under my administration," he added. — Bernama