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Nalla challenges Dr M to set up party to take on Najib

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KUALA LUMPUR: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been challenged to set up a new political party if he is intent on bringing down Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak and the Barisan Nasional government.

Malaysian Indian United Party (Miup) president Tan Sri S. Nallakaruppan, in issuing the challenge, said Dr Mahathir should continue his struggle via a legitimate platform instead of "fighting in the streets".

"Dr Mahathir can set up a new



**Tan Sri S.
Nallakaruppan**

party to fight Najib and contest the next general election. He should not destroy the country's image by taking his fight to the streets.

"He can choose his son, (Datuk Seri) Mukhriz, to be the president of that party. Only then, we will find out whether Dr Mahathir is still influential or not," he said here yesterday.

He added that the people did not believe in Dr Mahathir's anti-Najib campaign, as evidenced by the opposition's dismal performance in the Kuala Kangsar and Sungai Besar by-elections.