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421 documents handed to Najib's lawyers

KUALA LUMPUR: The prosecution has handed 421 documents to the defence team in Datuk Seri Najib Razak's corruption trial involving funds from 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB).

Deputy public prosecutor Datuk Seri Gopal Sri Ram said more documents would be handed to the defence soon.

"We need time to get those documents," he said during case management before High Court judge Collin Lawrence Sequerah yesterday.

The court fixed Feb 26 for further case management.

In a separate case, the court fixed Feb 15 to hear an application by Najib to disqualify Gopal from leading the prosecution team.

On Sept 20, the Pekan member of parliament was charged with 25 corruption charges involving RM2.3 billion, allegedly from 1MDB.

His first four charges were framed under Section 23(1) and 24(1) of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009, while the other 21 charges were under Section 4(1)(a) of the Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Ter-



Former prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak arriving at the Kuala Lumpur Courts Complex yesterday.

rorism Financing Act 2001 (AM-LATFA).

In the charges under the MACC Act, Najib was accused of using his then position as prime minister, finance minister and chairman of the 1MDB advisory board to receive bribes on four occasions.

The money-laundering charges

include nine counts of receiving illegal proceeds, five counts of using illegal proceeds and seven counts of transferring the proceeds to other entities.

The offences were allegedly committed at Amlslamic Bank Bhd in Jalan Raja Chulan, Bukit Ceylon here, between Feb 24, 2011, and Dec 19, 2014.