

# Najib charged again on 3 counts of money laundering

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**FORMER** Prime Minister (PM) Datuk Seri Mohd Najib Razak was charged in the Kuala Lumpur High Court yesterday on three additional charges involving money laundering totalling RM47 million five years ago.

Najib, 66, who was dressed in a blue suit, pleaded not guilty after all the extra charges were read separately before Judge Mohd Nazlan Mohd Ghazali.

Najib's cases were set for mention in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. The former PM is already facing three criminal breach of trust (CBT) charges involving SRC International Sdn Bhd's funds amounting to RM42 million and three counts of money laundering involving the same amount.

For the three additional charges, Najib was accused of being involved in money laundering with a total sum of RM47 million, which was a result of illegal activities in his three Am-

Private Banking accounts.

All the offences were allegedly committed at AmIslamic Bank Bhd on Jalan Raja Chulan on July 8, 2014, under Section 4(1)(a) of the 2001 Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing Act.

The Pekan MP also pleaded not guilty to three amended charges of CBT involving SRC International's funds and three counts of money laundering involving the same funds, after all the charges were re-read.

Earlier, Deputy Public Prosecutor (DPP) Datuk Mohamad Hanafiah Zakaria informed the court that there were three additional charges of money laundering being filed against the accused.

"The prosecution also submitted amendments to three charges involving SRC funds under Section 409 of the Penal Code which were faced by



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the accused and three amendments of the law involving money laundering."

Mohamad Hanafiah said the pro-

secution had issued the word "RM4 billion" from the three allegations of misconduct faced by Najib and for

three counts of money laundering, the word "2001" added on to each Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing Act.

DPP Muhammad Izzat Fauzan also filed an application for the cases to be heard together with the CBT and money laundering cases that he had previously been charged with.

Tan Sri Muhammad Shafee Abdullah, who represents Najib, objected to the additional charges being heard together with the previous charges and requested for time to examine whether the three charges could be heard together or otherwise.

The court fixed Feb 7 to hear submissions from both parties on the application to discuss all the cases.

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