



Datuk Seri Najib Razak arriving at the Kuala Lumpur Courts Complex yesterday.
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Prosecution to call 1 more witness before wrapping up

KUALA LUMPUR: The prosecution in Datuk Seri Najib Razak's 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) audit tampering trial said it had just another witness to go before wrapping up its case against the former prime minister.

Lead prosecutor Datuk Seri Gopal Sri Ram informed High Court judge Mohamed Zaini Mazlan that it needed to call only the 16th and last witness, investigating officer Haniff Lami, to testify.

He said Haniff was supposed to take the stand yesterday but had fallen ill from intestinal bleeding.

Sri Ram said Haniff's condition was bad and the witness had been given a medical certificate to be excused from coming to court.

He, however, said Haniff was expected to testify on the next scheduled trial date of Aug 12.

Zaini said he was sorry to hear about Haniff's medical condition before adjourning the case.

Najib is accused of using his

position as then prime minister to instruct for the final audit report on 1MDB to be amended before it was presented to the parliamentary Public Accounts Committee.

Former 1MDB chief executive officer Arul Kanda Kandasamy was originally charged with abetting Najib but he has since turned prosecution witness.

Sri Ram said Arul Kanda remained as an accused person until he was issued with a certificate of indemnity by the judge.

