

**Don't Change Historical Facts, Says Najib  
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BUKIT MERTAJAM, Sept 11 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today reminded the people not to change historical facts or to glorify the communist terrorists.

He said the communist terrorists in the past era were certainly cruel and the people were in their grips as their ideology did not favour the people, and were anti-religion and despotic.

"That was why we opposed the communists at that time because they were behaving cruelly in this country," he said at the Malaysia Aidilfitri-Merdeka 2011 open house, here.

The Prime Minister said the communist did not give democracy to the people of Malaysia whereas the present government respected the democratic process.

"That's why sometimes we lose, and sometimes we win. But we hope we win more than we lose," he said.

Najib said the communists at that time were different from the present communism because in the past, the communists did not give the people the right to be wealthy.

"The present communism is different from the past. Previously, they wanted to control the country and spread the ideology which did not give the people their rights.

"We are friendly with communist countries now because they have discarded their old ideology," he said.

The Prime Minister said the present government respected the people's voice, practised moderation and was not extreme.

He said Malaysians should be grateful for having chosen strong leaders who had drawn up national policies which suited the present situation.

He said that two factors that led to the success of the nation were the far-sightedness of the past leaders in drawing up the country's policies and their vision.

"In every era, we had leaders who were wise in making decisions and taking action," he said.

Najib said that as an example, in efforts to gain national independence, the past leaders chose to opt for negotiations because they wanted the colonialists to leave the country.

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