

**SPDP Fully Committed To 1Malaysia Vision: Mawan  
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BINTULU, March 18 (Bernama) -- The Sarawak Progressive Democratic Party (SPDP) is fully committed to the 1Malaysia vision, its president Tan Sri William Mawan said.

He described the vision mooted by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak as a "dynamic vision and transformational effort."

Giving his keynote address at SPDP's ninth triennial general assembly, here today, he said 1Malaysia would create a deep sense of unity and national belonging across the racial divide and generate greater socio-economic benefits for all Malaysians.

"It, and Najib's transformation plans, will certainly pave the way for the creation of a high-income society.

"At SPDP we are excited about it. We are fully supportive of it and indeed we have already committed to 1Malaysia and the National Transformation Plan as an integral part of our party agenda," he said.

Mawan added that SPDP too "welcome with great enthusiasm and interest the visionary plan by Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud in developing the state's central region into a major economic development corridor now known as Score (Sarawak Corridor of Renewable Energy)."

"We will rise to the challenge as we see this corridor serving as an important staging point for the state's second wave of development," he said.

Mawan added the availability of power supply from the Bakun Hydroelectricity Dam would further boost the growth of industries in Score and its overall integrated development.

Toward this end, he said SPDP would encourage and guide the state's younger generation and in particular, those still schooling, to seriously pursue subjects in science and technology, and to excel in them, so that they can later become the manpower resources for Score.

On politics, Mawan said although the SPDP was not big in terms of representation in the state assembly and parliament, it was "big and strong in terms of loyalty to the Barisan Nasional and its grassroots support."

He also lambasted certain quarters "who have been trying to elbow their BN colleagues in SPDP and some even went as far as making misleading representations about us to the higher-up authority in the BN."

"What purpose does it serve to backstab another BN partner other than to belittle us and paint a wrong image of our party?

"This is not healthy for the SPDP and not healthy for the BN. We must all put an immediate

stop to such hideous act," he said.

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