

**PM Scheduled To Hand Over Citizenship Certificates To Successful Applicants
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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 11 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak is scheduled to hand over citizenship certificates to some of 5,593 successful applicants here Tuesday.

Human Resource Minister Datuk Seri Dr S Subramaniam said the ceremony, which would be held at the Kuala Lumpur City Hall Training Institute, Cheras, was a continuation of the MyDaftar campaign that started in February last year.

"A total 9,529 people especially Malaysians of Indian descent had applied for citizenship. Of the total, 5,593 applicants were successful.

"The handing over of the certificates will be carried out in stages nationwide starting Feb 14," he told reporters after launching the 'My career Fair 2012' at Universiti Malaya (UM) here.

Earlier in his speech, Dr Subramaniam, who is also MIC deputy president, said the party had informed Najib on the need to increase recruitment of members of the Indian community in the civil service.

In this regard, the number of Indians in the federal and state government services, statutory bodies and local authorities is seen as increasing, he said.

"The percentage of Indian applicants is high, this indicates that the Indian community especially youths are keen to become public servants.

"I hope the percentage of Indians in the public sector will increase to seven percent compared to the present which, in certain cases, is as low as as two per cent," he said.

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