

Najib: Evolution, not revolution
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SHAH ALAM: Changes effected through evolution rather than revolution will contribute to more positive transformation for the country, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

The Umno lawmaker said that Malaysia had evolved into a successful nation since it achieved independence 55 years ago.

"Malaysia evolved from a poor and small country. We were not confident, not optimistic and unsure if we can succeed as a nation. Many doubted us.

"But today, no one can deny Malaysia's success story," he said.

In his speech at the launch of the 4B Youth movement's 36th annual gathering, he cited Egypt as an example of how revolutionary change was unstable for a nation.

"They have yet to restore order, their economy is almost crippled, the tourism industry is flailing and unemployment rate is high.

"This is because they cannot handle change in an orderly manner," he said.

Najib told the 12,000 youths gathered not to be easily influenced by certain parties and their ideals.

"They want free and fair elections. We too want free and fair elections. We do not want to win tainted polls. We want to win because we have the support of the people.

"Change won't happen by going to the streets. Change will happen if you have a political leadership that can bring forth change," he said.

He called on youths to make the right choice at the ballot box, saying that getting it wrong during the general election would be disastrous to the country.

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