

Najib lambasts Felda 'traitors'
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PEKAN: Those who opposed Felda Global Venture Holdings' (FGVH) listing on Bursa Malaysia yet took the windfall are "shameless", said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

He called them "traitors" for trying to scupper the Government's plans at transforming and taking Felda to the global level.

"They tried to derail our plans to improve the community, including by injunctions. But when we offered (the windfall), they (the detractors) quickly and shamelessly took the windfall," said Najib to about 10,000 settlers at the launch of the Pekan Mini Malaysian Agriculture at Dataran Shahbandar, Bandar Dara, in Chini here yesterday.

Najib said the Government had created world history with the listing. "The move has benefited loyal settlers and helped put Felda on the international arena. The first generation of settlers has already received the initial windfall payment," he said, adding that their wives would get theirs today.

Also present were Najib's wife Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, Agriculture and Agro-based Industry Minister Datuk Seri Noh Omar and his deputy Datuk Chua Tee Yong.

Najib said, in order to be successful in life, an individual should first transform his mind.

Citing the example of a disabled couple entrepreneur Abdul Rahman Said and his wife Najib said they now earned an average RM30,000 a month.

"The couple operates an agro-bazaar outlet in Kodiang, Kedah. He also sells agriculture products on his three-wheeled motorcycle.

"This shows that despite their disabilities, they can make it good in life."

Najib had presented the couple with the motorcycle during a visit to Kedah.

The Prime Minister, who is also Pekan MP, later presented aid and other incentives to farmers.

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