

**Chong Wei Showed True Spirit And Commitment Despite Losing – Najib
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BACHOK, Aug 5 (Bernama) -- Datuk Lee Chong Wei may have lost in the men's singles final but he showed true fighting spirit and a high level of commitment said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

The Prime Minister said Malaysians should be proud of the determination and spirit showed by Chong Wei despite losing to Lin Dan of China in final.

"The defeat had pride written all over it. Chong Wei did not concede defeat easily but battled hard.

"Though he did not succeed in beating Lin Dan who played aggressively, Chong Wei was able to hoist the image of the country," he told reporters after performing the Isyak and Tarawih prayers at the Masjid Naim in Jelawat here tonight when asked to comment on the match.

Najib who performed the Maghrib prayers at the Kampung Badak mosque, later watched the match at the International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed's residence.

The Prime Minister who is on a one day working visit to Kelantan later left to the Yayasan Kemiskinan Kelantan in Padang Kala, Kota Baharu to meet the people of Ketereh.

Meanwhile in PUTRAJAYA, Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin's reaction after watching Datuk Lee Chong Wei losing the men's singles final against Lin Dan of China in the London Olympics was: "Luck was not on our side but SYABAS to Chong Wei for playing his hearts out."

Muhyiddin who watched the match 'live' on a big screen at the Putrajaya International Convention Centre restaurant with thousands of Malaysians here tonight said Chong Wei had battled very hard to win the country's first ever gold medal but luck was not on his side.

"Maybe luck was not our side, but credit must go to Chong Wei for trying his very best in his quest to win the country's first gold medal against the Chinese player," he said.

Muhyiddin who had attended a breaking of fast ceremony with orphans from Rumah Nur Hikmah and Badan Amal Nur Zaharah earlier said Lin Dan had a little advantage while Chong Wei was also ready for the task and the result was a great match that was closely fought.

During the breaking of fast ceremony organised by syarikat Eden Inc Bhd, the Deputy Prime Minister also contributed RM5,000 each to Rumah Nur Hikmah and Badan Amal Nur Zaharah.

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