Najib: Youth value economic opportunities
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JOHOR BARU: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has outlined seven strategies to engage Muslim youth worldwide to harness their untapped potential.

The strategies include focusing on education, keep opening up economies, pursuing structural reforms, responding to technological change, keeping an open mind to new opportunities in the digital economy, encouraging moderation and tolerance, and preparing to invest in young people.

He was speaking at the World Islamic Economic Forum here on Tuesday.

He stressed that while political freedom was important, it was economic opportunity that young people valued most.

"We are losing some of our young people to apathy and extremism," he said.

He stressed that the Muslim world was experiencing a significant "youth bulge" as in 2010, 60% of Muslims were under 30.

"Muslim youths want economic opportunity. Our response must be to commit to building open and sustainable economies with education and economic reforms that allow our young people to pursue their ambitions"

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