

PM: We are not just all talk
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PEKAN: The Barisan Nasional Government will only promise things which it can deliver to the people, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

"We will not offer empty promises and goodies that could dent the country's coffers.

"In some European countries, the financial status is so bad that it has resulted in dire economic crises. For example, the unemployment rate among youths in Spain is almost 45%.

"Although the country is good at football, it cannot manage its economy," the Prime Minister added, giving caution about promises made by Opposition parties.

Najib said the people of the four states ruled by Pakatan Rakyat had begun to question the unfulfilled election pledges made by them.

On the other hand, he added, Barisan had a 55-year-long proven track record.

His two predecessors, added Najib, had given their blessings for him to lead the country.

"Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi have given their blessings to my leadership of the country," Najib said during the Hari Raya open house at Taman Tasik Sultan Abu Bakar here yesterday.

Najib, who is the Pekan MP, said Malaysia had achieved continuous progress and successes, such as in eradicating poverty and ensuring peace and harmony.

He added that the people's welfare was well-looked after with various means of assistance in place, such as the *Bantuan Rakyat 1Malaysia* (BR1M) scheme and subsidies in the form of petrol, cooking oil, rice and flour, as well as in education and healthcare.

Najib said the Islamic countries of the world had a high regard and admiration for Malaysia, adding that this was conveyed to him during the recent Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) meeting in Mecca.

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