

**PM Launches 1Malaysia Perwani Community As Transformation Agent  
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PUTRAJAYA, March 17 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today launched the 1Malaysia Perwani Community that would create a 100,000 strong women's assembly as a national community transformation agent.

The prime minister said the initiative would spin-off Perwani into small groups of between 10 and 20 women.

"As a mover of various activities, the 1Malaysia Perwani Community can promote healthcare, family welfare, skill training, entrepreneurship and tuition.

"They can become the eyes and ears of the government in combating crimes and threats to national security," he said when launching the initiative in conjunction with the '1 Million Women Purple Walk 2013' here, today.

The 1Malaysia Perwani Community comprises residents' associations, the Malaysian Association of Wives of Civil Servants and Women Civil Servants (Puspanita), the Police Family Association (Perkep), the Malaysian Armed Forces Family Welfare Association (Bakat), Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia (AIM), non-governmental organisations (NGOs), single mothers, and women.

Najib, who is also women, family and community development minister, said the community was an initiative under the National Blue Ocean Strategy to improve the welfare of the society through various activities for the benefits of local community.

The 1Malaysia Perwani Community will act as a conduit between the community and the authorities or to provide feedback on infrastructure or public amenities facilities that needed attention or improvements.

At the event, Najib also launched the Purplelicious Mobile Cafe, the latest project initiated by the Women, Family and Community Development Ministry to help single mothers earn a living.

Under the programme, nine single mothers from various races run a mobile cafe using two trucks which will make pit stops at selected locations in the Klang Valley and Putrajaya.

The cafe serves submarine sandwiches, pasta and ice blended drinks. The menu is prepared with the help of Chef Jo of the MasterChef Malaysia fame who acts as their mentor.

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