

**Kedah Sekolah Pondok operators gives full support to Najib**  
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ALOR STAR: The operators of eight sekolah pondok (Islamic religious schools) in Kedah have expressed confidence in Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak's handling of efforts to safeguard Islam against efforts by certain quarters to discredit the religion and to cause disunity among Muslims.

The operators, in a resolution submitted to Datuk Seri Najib Razak here today, said they would also stand firm behind the prime minister in upholding the sanctity of Islam against its "enemies".

"We have great confidence in the Government of the day that is led by Datuk Seri Najib Razak in efforts to safeguard Islam.

"We also urge the Government to take firm and stern actions against anyone or groups who insult Islam or attempt to deviate from the true Islamic teachings.

"We are also against anyone or groups who question the rights and position of the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and Malay rulers as provided in the Constitution," added the operators in the three-page resolution which was handed to Najib, who was here on a day-long visit to Kedah.

The resolution was handed over to Najib by Sobri Othman, the pro-tem committee chairman of the Kedah branch of the Yayasan Pondok 1Malaysia.

There are a total of 20 sekolah pondok in the state.

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