

GE13: Events in Kuantan seen as last stop of PM's pre-election campaign
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PUTRAJAYA: Two major events in Kuantan tomorrow are seen as the last stop of Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's pre-election nationwide tour before he calls for the 13th general election next week.

He would be spending the whole day in the state with an important dinner date with the Chinese community to raise funds for the new SM Chung Hwa independent school.

Najib would then head to the last *Jelajah Janji Ditepati* (JJD) roadshow.

Umno insiders said much has been put into making sure that the climax of the tour goes off with a bang before Parliament is dissolved.

"The roadshow and the charity dinner have been planned in such a way as to give maximum impact for the Prime Minister and Barisan Nasional," said an official.

Organisers of the dinner, to be held at the Stadium Darul Makmur, are hoping to raise funds for the construction of SM Chung Hwa in Kuantan, estimated to cost RM35mil.

Najib is expected to meet community leaders about the development plans for the school.

Supporting the establishment of the school was among the resolutions passed by MCA during the party's 59th annual general meeting last year.

He is also expected to make a major announcement on Chinese education at this function.

He is then expected to make his way to the MPK 2 field nearby for the roadshow where he will remind the people that his administration had kept its promises and prospered the nation through the national transformation programmes.

"The roadshow had not only allowed the Prime Minister to listen to the *rakyat* but also allowed Malaysians to present their views and problems directly to him and government agencies.

"The JJD also managed to provide the people with a better understanding of the Government Transformation Programme (GTP) and Economic Transformation Programme (ETP) as well as how these initiatives have benefited them and the nation," said another official.

Earlier in the day, Najib would be making a stop at Kampung Tanjung Besar in Benta, Lipis to launch the *Rimbunan Kasih* pilot project, a public-private initiative where 70 poor families are given homes and jobs.

Lipis MP Mohd Shahrum Osman said there was probably an element of nostalgia as to why Najib chose to have the *Rimbunan Kasih* project there because he was born nearby.

"He wants to see more development happening in his birthplace and that the people there are economically better off," he said.

On Sunday, the Prime Minister is expected to attend a gathering of youth here.

He would then proceed to the Sepang F1 circuit to watch the race and present the prizes. He would then travel to Bukit Kiara to hand over the trophy to the champion of Maybank Malaysian Open golf tournament. Both events are part of his annual calendar.

The Prime Minister would also be launching the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition on Tuesday.

However, he does not seem to have anything planned for Monday when his movements will be watched closely as many expect Najib to seek an audience with the Yang di-Pertuan Agong to obtain the royal assent to dissolve Parliament.

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