

GE13: PM: No need to change government
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KUANTAN: Real change and progress are already taking place in Malaysia under the Barisan Nasional Government so there is no need to change it, says Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

"I know there are those who are peddling the word change' but we have to ask ourselves can they bring about real change? How can they do it when a ship has three helmsmen?

"Can you imagine what will happen? It will sink," said Najib during the launch of the Pahang Urban Transformation Centre (UTC) here yesterday.

Using the centre which was converted from the old Terminal Makmur bus station as an example, Najib said it used to be a morose place.

"But now it looks incredible inside and outside, a reflection of the national transformation concept," he said in his speech.

The Pahang UTC, which houses 51 federal, state government and private agencies as well as seven NGOs, is the fourth such complex in the country.

Najib said the Opposition, with multiple heads and contesting under three different party symbols within an unregistered coalition, was in disorder.

"I was told by (Domestic Trade, Cooperatives and Consumerism Minister and Bera MP) Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob that it announced two candidates for Bera.

"You don't even have to talk about governance yet. It is already disorganised when it is just contesting," said Najib, adding that on the contrary, the Barisan Government had proven itself with its transformation programmes in these past four years.

"The proof is right in front of our eyes. The World Bank predicted our country's economic growth at 4.5% last year but we performed better with 5.6%.

"There is already change so the need to change the Government does not arise.

"Don't change for the sake of change," he said.

With the UTC, Najib said the service delivery system would be transformed to become more efficient and innovative to fulfil the aspirations and wishes of the people.

The project, he said, was completed in only five weeks at the minimal cost of RM37mil.

"It has all kinds of facilities such as a gymnasium, archery range and an outdoor futsal pitch. My favourite drink is also available here, the special 1Malaysia coffee," said Najib.

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