

**GE13: Only BN can secure and protect country's sovereignty, says Najib**  
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KOTA KINABALU: Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has cast doubt on the opposition's ability to secure and protect the sovereignty of the country.

He noted that the opposition had even insulted members of the security forces who died while defending Sabah during the Sulu gunmen intrusion in February.

"Even until today, they have kept quiet about their suspicious (overseas) meetings. Who they met we do not know," he told a large crowd in Bongowan, about 70kms from here.

Najib was speaking during his campaign trail to shore up support for Barisan candidates in Kimanis (Datuk Seri Anifah Aman) and Papar (Datuk Rosnah Shirlin).

The Barisan Nasional chairman said only a strong and united government like Barisan would be able to defend Malaysia and bring economic growth not only in Sabah but the whole country.

He pointed out that the opposition was now in disarray with different ideologies and parties vying for the same seat.

"They can't even agree on a single candidate," he said referring to PAS and PKR contesting for the Labuan parliamentary seat.

Najib promised the people of Bongowan that he would get Bank Simpanan Nasional (BSN) to open a branch in the town.

"I know people here are keeping their money under the pillow. Anifah has told me the need for a bank. I will ask BSN to open a branch here for your convenience," he said, adding that the government would also build a sports facility for the youths.

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