

Choice Of Adenan As Sarawak CM To Ensure Development Continuity - Najib

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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 13 (Bernama) -- The choice of Tan Sri Adenan Satem as the new Sarawak chief minister was to ensure continuity and boosting of development efforts undertaken by the Barisan Nasional (BN) government to develop the state, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

"The federal government supports the new Sarawak leadership and is confident that Adenan will continue with all that have planned and drive the state's development to greater heights," he said in a statement Thursday.

Najib said Adenan, who was Minister in the Chief Minister's Office (Special Functions) had wide experience in government and politics, and was also acceptable to the members of Parti Pesaka Bumiputera Bersatu (PBB) and other BN component parties for the chief minister post.

He said the choice of Adenan as the new chief minister was also welcomed by the people of Sarawak.

"I believe that with his vast experience and the support of all groups, Adenan will be able to continue with Sarawak's excellence under the leadership of Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud and will ensure that Sarawak remains a BN stronghold," Najib said.

Yesterday, Abdul Taib announced his resignation from the chief minister post effective this Feb 28 and named Adenan as his successor.

Abdul Taib said Sarawak Yang Dipertua Negeri Tun Abang Muhammad Salahuddin had agreed with the choice and the swearing-in of Adenan as the new chief minister would be held on Feb 28.

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