

11MP To Be Implemented According To Federal Government's Capacity, State Governments' Needs - Najib

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KUALA TERENGGANU, July 6 (Bernama) -- The 11th Malaysia Plan (11MP) will be implemented based on the federal government's capacity to provide and the needs of the respective state governments with regard to priority projects.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said he would obtain information from each state in the country on their needs before the conclusions could be made in the 11MP.

"I will not make hasty decisions, but this is the process I will take for each state and we will gather (all the information) and decide whether the federal government has the capacity to do what it needs to do during the 11MP period." Najib said this to reporters after listening to an hour's briefing on Terengganu's development by the state government at Wisma Darul Iman, here, Sunday.

The prime minister said he had so far visited Perak and Kedah to get information on the needs of each of these states to be included in the 11MP in view of the 10MP ending next year.

He said the priorities in the 11MP would be in accordance with the wants of the state governments first, such as the need of the Terengganu government for flood-mitigation projects in Kemaman, besides improving the economy of the people in Terengganu.

Najib said he was, meanwhile, satisfied with the performance of Datuk Ahmad Razif Abdul Rahman as Terengganu Menteri Besar since he was appointed to the post almost two months ago.

"I see that everything is going on smoothly. I have stressed on unity and continuity...meaning, we will continue with the good done by the previous administration and besides that, I believe Datuk Ahmad Razif will also introduce some new things or improve the existing ones," he said.

Ahmad Razif was made the new menteri besar to replace Datuk Seri Ahmad Said

and was also recently appointed as the state Umno liaison chief.

He was sworn in as menteri besar on May 13 before the Sultan of Terengganu, Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin.

The prime minister also praised the new theme introduced by Ahmad Razif, that is, New Terengganu Transformation, as this is in line with the government transformation programme introduced by the federal government.

On the political crisis in Selangor, Najib believed the people in Selangor had the right to choose which government could take care of their lot better.

He said the continual crisis in the opposition party involved could erode public confidence in the current state government.

"I don't wish to interfere as this is the opposition's internal problems but the continuous problems could erode public confidence in the state government," he said.

Yesterday, Selangor Menteri Besar Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim hit out at Parti Keadilan Rakyat (PKR) de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim for criticising his administration in Selangor.

Khalid said Anwar should not be questioning his administration as his credibility as PKR de facto leader was also questioned by many of the party leaders and members.

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