

Najib Urges Malaysians To Build Upon Common Values, Beliefs
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 5 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak says Malaysians will remember this year for extraordinary tragedies, particularly the loss of Malaysia Airlines' flights MH370 and MH17.

"In times of sorrow, it is only right for us to unite in solidarity as one nation.

"Like all Malaysians, I am deeply saddened by the loss of MH370 and MH17, and pray for the victims and their families, who remain in my thoughts," he said in his latest post on his blog, najibrazak.com.

He said that since independence, Malaysians had remained unified as one, working towards shared goals: to improve their quality of life, and develop the nation.

"I believe that in order for us to fully benefit from what is undoubtedly our source of strength, we must come together as one, and build upon our common values and beliefs to achieve our common goal as one nation. I gave this concept of unity and solidarity a name: 1Malaysia," he said.

The prime minister said that over the last five years, the government had been working hard to make sure that the spirit of 1Malaysia was captured in policies that were inclusive, balanced and responsible.

"Strengthening the idea of 1Malaysia, however, is not the duty of the government alone. It is for all Malaysians," he added.

Najib said: "We have come a long way since my first blog post on Sept 19, 2008. I remember recording my first video message to welcome visitors not only to my website, but to the concept of 1Malaysia. What a journey this has been!"

He said that since embarking on this journey with fellow Malaysians, "I have been touched by your feedback, encouragement, and even constructive criticism on all manner of things."

"Through this website and my own personal social media platforms, I have been able to listen to the voices of Malaysians who make up our vibrant online community, and engage so many of you directly on matters affecting our nation.

"I want us to continue on this journey, and to do that, I am making some updates to my personal website," he said.

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