

Chinese Entrepreneurial Contribution To Country's Development Recognised - Najib Bernama
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KUCHING, Feb 27 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today recognises the contribution made through the entrepreneurial ability of the Chinese community in the development and success enjoyed by the country, especially in Sarawak.

According to him, in Sarawak he saw that its people really appreciated unity in the diversity of its ethnicity, culture, lifestyle and mutual respect that had become its main strength.

"When the strength in diversity can be made whole, only then can it bring strength to the nation to forge greater success," he said when speaking at a Chinese New Year gathering at the Kuching City South Council community hall at Jalan Padungan here.

Najib outlined three main levels in embracing diversity to build strength, namely tolerance, acceptance and a high standard to celebrate it.

He also commended on the commitment and firm leadership of Tan Sri Adenan Satem who would hold the post of Sarawak Chief Minister for one year tomorrow, in the fight against corruption.

He said Adenan who was described as 'simple and down-to-earth' succeeded in gaining the support of the Chinese community that wanted a government with a good administration to fight against corruption, maintain peace and stability as well as curb any elements of extremism.

Earlier Adenan in his speech said this year the state government had increased its financial aid allocation to 14 Chinese private schools in Sarawak to RM4 million compared to only RM3 million last year.

Also present at the function were Sarawak Deputy Chief Minister Tan Sri Alfred Jabu, Sarawak ministers and local leaders from the Chinese community,

Najib is scheduled to present financial aid to flood victims and make a walkabout at Kubah Ria, Petra Jaya here tomorrow before ending his three-day working visit to Sarawak.

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