

**Don't take lightly climate change, global warming, warns Najib –  
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Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak today warned that climate change and global warming could no longer be viewed lightly.

He said rainfall patterns in Malaysia had changed and the country now faced prolonged draughts that there was a water-supply crisis in some states while at the end of the year, continuous heavy rain resulted in some of the worst floods in decades with loss of lives and destruction of property.

"As an example, The Kelantan Drainage and Irrigation Department recorded rainfall of 1,295 mm from December 21 to 23, 2014, which is equivalent to rainfall over 64 days," he said when chairing the Green Technology and Climate Change Council meeting in Putrajaya today.

Najib also said the National Security Council confirmed the flood disaster at the end of last year and the landslides occurring now were linked to land clearing for agriculture and development and land encroachment.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report published last year by the World Meteorological Organisation and United Nations Environment Programme had warned that mitigation measures taken were still not enough to limit temperature increase to two degrees Celsius, he said. – Bernama, February 25, 2015.

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