

## **Selangor Umno Fully Supports Najib's Leadership**

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SHAH ALAM, April 10 (Bernama) -- Selangor Umno expressed its full support for the leadership of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak who has implemented various projects that benefited the people including the recently launched Pan-Borneo Highway in Sarawak.

Its chairman, Datuk Seri Noh Omar said the criticisms against Najib were made without taking into account all of his work and efforts in bringing Malaysia towards becoming a developed and high-income nation by 2020.

"Various government's plans such as the transformation programmes, subsidy rationalisation and 1Malaysia People's Aid (BR1M) have a huge impact on the people.

"Selangor Umno is confident with the leadership of the Prime Minister with the solid support of the Deputy Prime Minister (Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin), the cabinet as well as the people, this country will move forward in the future," he said in a press conference here today.

The statement was made following the criticisms by former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Najib recently.

Noh said besides the Selangor Umno, the Malaysian Council of Former Elected Representatives (Mubarak) has also expressed its unwavering support for the leadership of Najib.

He also supported Najib's transparency in directing the Auditor-General to independently verify 1MDB's account and for the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), which also included the opposition representatives, to investigate the company's account.

Noh said this proved that the Prime Minister did not hide anything and had assured that no protection was given to anyone who commits any misconduct in the company.

"Selangor Umno also hopes that all answers given by the Prime Minister in TV3's Soal Jawab yesterday are accepted with an open heart by all parties.

"The Prime Minister has answered all the questions calmly covering all matters including economic, development and also the issues raised by Dr Mahathir," he said.

Meanwhile in KUALA LUMPUR, Umno Youth information head Jamawi Jaafar said the frank explanation on various issues given by Najib yesterday was perceived to be able to calm down the country's political scenario which was seen as 'hot' lately.

He said the explanation could also dispel all the allegations hurled by the 'keyboard

warriors' who appeared to be exploiting the situation.

"Besides demonstrating his (Najib's) courage, what was explained yesterday had been welcomed not only by the rakyat but also Umno Youth," he said when contacted, here.

He felt that the clarification by Najib was sufficient, what was needed now was for the prime minister to continue to administer the country and strengthen Umno to ensure the party remained relevant.

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