

11MP: PM Najib Orders Search And Rescue Efforts On Rohingya Boats
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KUALA LUMPUR, May 21 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Najib Tun Razak today ordered the Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) and the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) to conduct a search and rescue efforts on the Rohingya refugees' boats to prevent loss of life.

"I have further ordered @tldm_rasmi (RMN) and APMM (MMEA) to conduct search and rescue efforts on Rohingya boats. We have to prevent loss of life," he posted on his twitter page @NajibRazak today.

Yesterday, Najib had instructed RMN and MMEA to assist Mercy Malaysia to deliver humanitarian assistance to the Rohingya refugees either by sea or land.

It was reported that 1,158 Bangladeshis and Rohingya refugees from Myanmar, including women and children, landed illegally by boat in Langkawi, Kedah on May 10, with the figures reported to be the largest ever to date.

Media reports claimed that there were over 8,000 Rohingya refugees and Bangladeshis still at sea in their attempts to enter Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand illegally.

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