

I have a warrior's spirit and will stay on the job, Najib tells Sarawak
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Datuk Seri Najib Razak reiterated today he would not step down and would, in fact, fight harder, telling a huge crowd in Sarawak not to underestimate him.

In the Bornean state for a working visit, the prime minister said had a "warrior spirit" and would work harder, promising to solve all problems facing the country, including debts of state-owned investment firm 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB).

Najib was speaking at a rally held at Stadium Perpaduan in Kuching today.

Last night, he was warmly welcomed by Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Adenan Satem, who had said that Sarawak was firmly behind Najib's leadership.

"I will continue to be your prime minister," he said as he told the people not to be deceived by his "diplomatic" demeanour.

"I have the warrior's blood in me and I will continue to fight and work on the agenda to develop the state that has not been fulfilled," he told thousands of flag-waving Barisan Nasional (BN) supporters in the indoor stadium and outside following his address live on large TV screens.

High on the the agenda list, he said, is the Pan-Borneo Highway.

"Adenan tells me he does not just want a highway. He wants a super highway, with no toll and no traffic lights from Lundu to Lawas.

"There'll be no toll, no traffic lights. You'll get your super highway. That's my promise to you."

He said proposed traffic light junctions could be redesigned and replaced with underpasses or other appropriate designs.

"The people of Sarawak deserve this world-class super highway."

The upgrading of the Pan-Borneo Highway from a two-lane to a four-lane highway is estimated to cost RM15 billion.

But the prime minister said the promise could only be fulfilled if the people returned the BN to power in the coming state election and the general election after that.

With BN in the state and at federal level, Najib said the two governments could easily "kow tim" (in Chinese roughly meaning work out something) any requests, anytime.
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