

**Malaysia Condemns The Perpetrators Behind The Bangkok Blast – Najib  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 18 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak today said the Malaysian government condemns the perpetrators behind the bombing incident which occurred in central Bangkok last night.

He said, it was a heinous act as the explosion had claimed the lives of innocent people, including Malaysians.

"Malaysia condemns the heinous act on innocent civilians in Bangkok which claimed the lives of two Malaysians and others. My thoughts and prayers are with their families," he said through his Twitter account today.

According to the Thailand authorities, 20 people were killed while more than 100 were injured in the pipe bomb blast near the famous Erawan Shrine last night.

The explosion at about 7 pm (8 pm Malaysian time) occurred at the Ratchaprasong intersection, near the famous Erawan Shrine and Bangkok's colourful and high-street shopping.

For the time being, Wisma Putra had confirmed that two Malaysians were among the fatalities, while two other Malaysians were undergoing treatment at hospitals.

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