

PM Cites Unity In Moulding Harmony In Malaysia
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 11 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has cited the importance of unity in moulding harmony in a country.

"Friday greetings to all. The topic of today's sermon is unity, something close to my heart. Unity is an important element in national harmony," the Prime Minister posted in his Twitter and Facebook accounts today.

In the Friday sermon on unity issued as a guide for mosques by the Islamic Development Department of Malaysia (Jakim), Muslims were called upon to exercise tolerance and mutual respect.

The sermon emphasised the importance of unity in Malaysia's multi-racial and multi-religious community for peace.

"Those who exercise tolerance can withstand pressure or accept criticism and difficulty, can sacrifice for others and be open-minded.

"A country is upheld not only on a legal and constitutional basis, but has to be propped up by several fundamental principles, among them tolerance of the people.

"In a multi-racial and multi-religious community, tolerance refers to qualities of life such as being selfless, open-minded, realistic, patient and respecting the rights of others, and not being fanatic," said the sermon.

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