

**Najib Promises 'Strictest Action' If 1MDB Probe Reveals Wrongdoing**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 21 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has promised "the strictest action" against those responsible if investigations into 1MDB reveals wrongdoing.

The Prime Minister said 1Malaysia Development Berhad had faced a "very challenging" period but "concrete measures" were being taken to address the situation.

Opening the first ever Global Transformation Forum, or GTF 2015, at the KLCC convention centre here today, he said 1MDB was implementing a rationalisation plan which, if allowed to continue unimpeded, would enable the company to repay its outstanding debt and resolve the "cash-flow issues" it was facing.

"In terms of claims of wrongdoing, there are a number of investigations, some in Malaysia - which I myself ordered - and others by international authorities which I welcome," Najib said.

"Rather than conduct a trial by media, we must wait for the outcome of the investigations, and if any evidence of wrongdoing is found, I can assure you that the strictest action will be taken against those responsible."

Najib referred to the thrust of the forum, and said that Pemandu, the Performance and Delivery Unit in the PM's Department, had attracted the interest of other countries and gained the recognition of notable international bodies for its methodology in transforming the nation.

"We have received many accolades for the work we do. Just last year Bloomberg and Nesta UK - the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts - named Pemandu as one of the top 20 government innovation teams in the world.

"Pemandu's CEO Datuk Seri Idris Jala made it onto Bloomberg's list of the top 50 policy-makers. Respected institutions such as Harvard and Princeton, as well as the World Bank, have done extensive case studies on Pemandu's work," the Prime Minister said.

Najib said the Pemandu team had been in intensive discussions with personnel from several countries on how they could adopt Malaysia's transformation methodology.

The three-day forum is organised by Malaysia's Big Fast Results Institute in collaboration with the UNDP (United Nations Development Programme).

GTF is to be a platform for global stakeholders to share experiences and best practices, and to develop a transformational resolve to address key socio-economic issues.

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