

Song on Najib's RM2.6 billion donation making waves on social media

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A song by a local artiste, making reference to Datuk Seri Najib Razak's RM2.6 billion political donation from a Middle Eastern donor, is making waves on social media.

The song – Mana Hilang 2.6 Bintang – by Amirudin Hizadin refers to the RM2.6 billion, that went into the prime minister's personal accounts, as “missing stars” that has led to the world being engulfed in darkness.

The music video of the acoustic song was uploaded on Facebook and shared in many popular pages and has since garnered 80,000 views.

“‘Mana Hilangnya 2.6 Bintang’ is a song that tells of a young man who is feeling the pressures of life in a country during a dark time with the leadership,” Amirudin said in description of the song, that was written by him.

In the song, Amirudin sang about the hardships of Malaysians, including the rising cost of living with the prices of toll, petrol, electricity and food going up.

He also made mention of the 1Malaysia People's Aid (or BR1M) and other government handouts that were supposed to absorb some of the difficulties faced by the people.

Although the lyrics were devoid of Najib's name, but the subtle references to the prime minister's ongoing scandal – which has led to calls for his resignation – has set tongues wagging, judging from the comments posted.

“Alangkah indahnya klu najib da tak ada... bintang pun kembali terang,” said Ant Man on Sukan Star TV Facebook page, where the video was shared. (How nice if Najib is already gone... the stars would be back to shining brightly).

Azimah Zainul added: "Sedihnya lagu ni, mcm ada kena mengena dgn hidup sy... T_T." (This song is sad, like it speaks about my life).

Rini Reney said: “Bagus lagu ni... dalam kita troll, ini lah realiti isi hati rakyat malaysia...” (This song is good. As we troll, this is the reality in the hearts of Malaysians).

On Youtube, Aaron Siva said: “So beautiful I wanna cry man.”

Najib is facing the harshest criticism of his career following revelations of the RM2.6 billion donation and also over the debt-ridden 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB).

Wall Street Journal, which exposed the matter, said the source of the funds was unknown, but they had flowed through 1MDB-linked entities in various tranches, the largest of which – US\$681 million – was channelled into Najib's accounts in March

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