

**Join Voluntary Bodies for Organised Pooling Of Resources – Najib
Bernama
Dec 3, 2015**

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 3 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today urged the people to get involved in any voluntary association for their resources to be pooled in an organised team.

The Prime Minister said their participation in any voluntary body would enable their contributions and resources to be channelled effectively.

"When we talk of the floods, we will need the services of the fire and rescue service, police, Department of Civil Defence and military.

"Ordinary people should also come forward, as volunteers, but their resources must be pooled in an organised team.

"If they act alone, there will be chaos. Their contribution will be more meaningful and effective if they work as a team with a leader," he said when addressing voluntary team members of the Prime Minister's Department at the Putra World Trade Centre here.

Najib said he hoped that the ministry's team of volunteers would continue to serve the people, but not only in situations such as floods.

"I hope the team will continue to help because in the current climate situation, the unexpected can happen.

"We cannot know for sure what we will be up against this year and in the coming years," he said.

As such, Najib advised the federal and state governments to adhere to the philosophy of sustainable development in undertaking any development.

"That is why in the concept of development philosophy, it (development) must be based on sustainable and environment-friendly development. If we do not take care of our environment, we will be punished for the mistakes that we ourselves make," he said.

Besides the Prime Minister's Department, the ministry's volunteer secretariat also comprises several other federal government agencies including the National Scout Movement and Girl Guides Movement.

The volunteers help out in the post-flood aid missions in the affected states, as was the case in Kelantan, Perak and Pahang.

-- BERNAMA

Copyright © 2015 BERNAMA

<http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v8/newsindex.php?id=1196445>