

Umno leader sacked after criticising leadership
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Umno's Gopeng division Wanita chief Datuk Hamidah Osman (pic) has been sacked from the party following her criticism of the party leadership, president Datuk Seri Najib Razak said today.

Najib said the decision, which was made during Umno's Supreme Council meeting today, was taken due to disciplinary issues concerning Hamidah.

"We have decided she will be sacked from her position and the party," he told a press conference after the meeting.

Hamidah was also former Wanita Umno information chief.

Hamidah had been vocal in demanding Najib's resignation, and was in early September reported by Malay daily Sinar Harian as saying, "Don't tell me three million members need to sacrifice for the sake of one man. It should be the leader who sacrifices for the sake of the party's three million members."

She had urged Najib to accept the reality that the 1Malaysia Development Berhad scandal had compromised the people's trust in Umno.

Prior to today's meeting, there was also speculation that deputy president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin and vice-president Datuk Seri Shafie Apdal would also be sacked, following reports of a list of seven names of party leaders who were being monitored.

However, Najib merely said that "other discussions took place" during the meeting.

"Other discussions took place but no decision was made."

Another party member, who was sacked this year, was Langkawi Umno member Anina Saadudin after she took Najib to court to account for the RM2.6 billion donation he received into his personal accounts. – November 24, 2015.

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