

**Our Main Focus the People, not Protocols – Najib
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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 10 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak wants the expenses used for his and the Cabinet ministers' working visits and official events to be reduced in line with the government's austerity effort.

He said based on his observation during a recent working visit, he found that there were expenses that could be reduced or avoided.

"I am grateful for all the preparations to welcome me. I understand that there are protocols that need to be followed, but wherever possible, we should avoid preparations such as red carpets, special meals and so on.

"Our main focus is the people, not protocols," he said in his latest post on his blog, NajibRazak.com.

Najib said during this year's first Cabinet meeting on Jan 6 in Putrajaya, he reminded its members and ministries to spend the provided allocations wisely.

The prime minister said each of his working visit was aimed at meeting the people, listening to their grouses and finding solutions together.

"Thank God, I can see that the people are accepting the approach so that their problems get the attention and get solved as soon as possible," he said adding that within two years, he launched many events and made working visits throughout the country.

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