

Malaysia will fight tooth and nail against terrorism, says Najib
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Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak today said Malaysia would fight "tooth and nail" against any form of terrorism or extremism.

Najib said this in his speech at the launch of Wisma Huazong in Seri Kembangan, Selangor today, two days after an attack by suicide bombers and gunmen in Indonesia's capital, Jakarta.

At least seven people were killed in the blasts, including five attackers.

"We are shocked by the news of attacks in Jakarta, Istanbul and Paris, as well as in other nations.

"As prime minister of Malaysia, I give our assurance that we will fight tooth and nail against any form of terror," Najib said today.

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (Isis) has claimed responsibility for the Jakarta attack, which saw militants detonating explosives and shooting at people in a district packed with malls, embassies and United Nations offices.

Following the attack, police raised Malaysia's alert status to the highest level as terrorism analysts said the militant group was now spreading its operations beyond the Middle East and Europe to Asia.

Police also arrested a man suspected of having links to Isis at the Light Rapid Transit (LRT) station in Jelatek in the capital yesterday.

Najib said while Putrajaya would press ahead in fighting terrorism, citizens must preserve the peace and stability Malaysia enjoyed which were invaluable commodities. – January 16, 2016.

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