

PM Advises Caution over Haze

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KUALA LUMPUR, April 22 (Bernama) -- Following the emergence of the haze in several areas of the country, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has advised the people to exercise caution and cut down on outdoor activities.

"I notice that the haze has returned in several areas. I hope everybody will be careful, especially those who work or have to be outdoors. Wear masks and such.

"Outdoor physical activities, especially for the elderly and children, should be reduced in areas with bad haze," he said in his Twitter account.

The Department of Environment portal on Friday reported unhealthy air quality in Port Klang, Selangor, and Miri, Sarawak, with the air pollutant index at 105 and 146, respectively, at 11am.

Natural Resources and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Dr Wan Junaidi Tuanku Jaafar said in a statement Thursday night that the haze in the Klang Valley was caused by fires in several areas in the peninsula, including peatland forests in Kuala Langat and Sepang.

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