

PM Says Will Spare No Effort to Ensure Sabah's Progress

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BEAUFORT, Aug 28 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said today that he would spare no effort to ensure Sabah achieves greater progress.

He said that he wanted to see Sabah to be on par with Peninsular Malaysia and towards this end, had approved many development projects, among them the Pan Borneo Highway, Sabah Oil and Gas Terminal (SOGT) in Kimanis and the Sabah Ammonia and Urea Sabah (Samur) project in Sipitang.

"I want Sabah to progress faster. I have pledged to shoulder the trust on me as the leader to bring the nation forward," he said when opening Sabah's Zone 3 UMNO divisions' delegates meeting here Sunday.

Zone 3 comprises the Beaufort, Kimanis, Sipitang and Papar UMNO divisions.

Najib also said that he always looked forward to his meetings with Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Seri Musa Aman on bringing Sabah forward.

The Prime Minister, who is also UMNO president, also expressed amazement at the way UMNO members in Sabah had made UMNO a culture in the state.

Stating that Sabah UMNO was a pillar of strength of the party despite being an "adik bongsu" (youngest brother), Najib described the members' loyalty as "kalau kita belah badan, darah yang mengalir keluar adalah darah jati perjuangan UMNO sebenar"(If you were to cut open the body, the blood that will flow will be pure UMNO blood).

"Standing together in both good and difficult times. I thank you and appreciate your loyalty," he said.
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