

## **Don't Knock Down Country, Najib Tells Malaysians**

KUALA LUMPUR, May 26 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today reminded Malaysians that should fight for the country and never ever knock it down.

He said as Malaysians, everyone should also work together to make the nation stronger and even greater in the future.

"This is our country, we are born here. We are true Malaysians, we will fight for Malaysia.

"We should never ever knock down Malaysia, because we have a chance to make it even stronger and even better in future," he said when launching the National Transformation 2050 (TN50) logo and the second phase of the TN50 Dialogue here.

Also present were Youth and Sports Minister Khairy Jamaluddin Abu Bakar and Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Dr Ali Hamsa.

Najib said that with Malaysia's economy now standing at RM1.3 trillion, he envisioned that it will increase to RM2 trillion by 2025, making Malaysia among the top 20 nations by then.

On TN50, he said the aspiration is truly a movement by the people for the people via the bottom-up approach, adding that it is also a movement started by the young people, who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

"I want us to think about where we want to go, so we define our future direction, the future that we want. And it is our job to deliver the future that we want," he told the more than 300 youths gathered at the event.

Najib added that the government will continue to carry out engagements with the grassroots.

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The TN50, which was launched on January this year, is a follow up on the 2020 vision which seeks to attain developed nation status for Malaysia, and is aimed at bringing about the next quantum leap of growth for the country from 2021 to 2050.

On the second phase of Dialog TN50, a group of 84 members and 60 mentors, called Youth Circles of the Future, have been tasked with analysing and fine tuning the aspirations of youths, which were obtained via a series of dialogues in the first phase.

Apart from these, the group will also assist in translating their aspirations for direction-building that is more comprehensive from the perspective of youths to ensure acceptance as part of the process in formulation of programmes and policies.

Since it was launched, the TN50 Dialogue has received feedback from more than 1.2 million youths across the country via various channels and activities resulting in the collection of some 33,000

aspirations from the target group.

Eighty per cent of the 33,000 aspirations have been grouped in five key categories namely Economy and Employment; Life and Wellbeing, Management; Lifestyle and Societal Issues. The Youth Circles will be tasked with poring through the five categories and then table their findings and recommendations to the Prime Minister and Youth and Sports Minister.

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