

Overwhelming Turnout From Orang Asli Community For Afternoon Tea With PM

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(Bernama) -- "I am very happy". That was the initial reaction from Sophia Alias, an Orang Asli woman from the Jakun tribe when she received an invitation to attend afternoon tea with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

Sophia, 30, said she had been counting the days since receiving the invitation earlier this week and was so eager to meet the Prime Minister that she had arrived in town in the morning even though the function was in the afternoon.

"I came here by bus with my three children...it is better to be early to get good seats at the front. It would not be fun if we were seated at the back as this is a rare opportunity," she said.

Sophia was among 3,000 Orang Asli at the Afternoon Tea with the Prime Minister and Pekan Parliamentary Constituency Orang Asli community in Kampung Mencupu, here today.

Also present were Rural and Regional Development Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob, Orang Asli Development Department (JAKOA) director-general Jamalludin Kasbi, Senator Datuk Isa Ab Hamid and Pahang State Felda Affairs Committee chairman Datuk Abu Bakar Harun.....

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