



**PRIME MINISTER
MALAYSIA**

MESSAGE

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim
Assalamualaikum And Salam 1Malaysia

Golf has taken its root in the hearts of many Malaysian over the past several decades and continues to appeal to the new and younger generation.

Although it was once considered leisure, golf itself has turned competitive and lucrative in recent years, generating an industry unto itself with multi-billion dollar revenue throughout the world in sponsorship and advertisement.

That phenomenon brought about by the likes of golf superstars like Tiger Woods, Rory McIlroy, Ian Poulter and Michelle Wie has encouraged and motivated more Malaysian today to take up golf as a career.

Therefore, the inception of the 1Malaysia Golf Challenge is timely, being one of the country's amateur golfing events. Spanning across all 14 states with 150 golf clubs participating, the challenge would start in June 2011 until March 2012.

It is estimated about 40,000 participants in Malaysia including some of the country's top amateur players will be taking part and competing for the Grand Champion prize, besides eyeing for the opportunity to play in the coveted Malaysian Open 2012.

Congratulation to the sponsors, officials and organizers for initiating this event and making it a success. I wish all the players the best of luck and may the best player win!

Thank you.

1Malaysia "People First, Performance Now"

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DATO' SRI MOHD NAJIB