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ANWAR CHAIRS CABINET MEETING ON KLIA

SEPANG, Aug 12 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim today chaired a special cabinet meeting on the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) now under construction here.

The meeting, the cabinet's 29th meeting on the KLIA, was held at the site office.

Today's meeting was to enlighten the cabinet on the latest progress of the project's implementation.

The RM9-billion airport is now expected only to start commercial operations during the first quarter of next year and not on Jan 1 as originally scheduled.

Transport Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik announced last week the rescheduling of commercial operations date but Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the delay was not critical.

Finance ministry secretary-general Tan Sri Clifford Herbert and Melaka chief minister Datuk Abu Zahar Isnin were also present. -- Bernama

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