

PM in Singapore for two-day working visit

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Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim arrived in Singapore last night for a two-day working visit in conjunction with the 10th Malaysia-Singapore Leaders' Retreat that begins today.

The aircraft with the prime minister on board landed at the VIP Complex of Changi International Airport at 10pm, and he was received by Singapore's Foreign Minister Vivian Balakrishnan and Singapore's High Commissioner to Malaysia Vanu Gopala Menon.

Foreign Minister Zambry Abdul Kadir and Malaysia's High Commissioner to Singapore Azfar Mohamad Mustafar were also present.

Anwar has been to Singapore twice previously after taking office, his first official visit in January, and again in September for two special sessions at the Milken Institute's 10th Annual Asia Summit.

According to Wisma Putra, Anwar and his Singapore counterpart Lee Hsien

Loong will deliberate on measures to further advance relations and cooperation, including new initiatives relating to smooth connectivity, cross-border movements as well as collaboration on green energy during his visit, which will also be the first meeting between the two leaders in the framework of the retreat.

Both leaders will also witness the signing of a memorandum of understanding in the field of entrepreneurship and a side letter to improve provisions of the Third Malaysia-Singapore Business Development Fund.

Anwar is also scheduled to pay a courtesy call to Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam.

The Malaysia-Singapore Leaders' Retreat is the highest level bilateral mechanism between the two countries, hosted alternately since 2007.

The retreat has been postponed since 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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