

## **M'sia ready to provide more humanitarian aid to Palestine**

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The government is ready to provide additional humanitarian assistance for the Palestinian people after Israel allowed the delivery of aid through border crossings with the northern part of the Gaza Strip.

Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim said there is still allocation for the additional assistance.

“Insya-Allah, we will assist because we still have allocation, there’s a queue of hundreds of lorries (for assistance), so let’s clear that first, (so that) the distribution (of aid) is more organised,” he told reporters after performing Friday prayers with 2,000 congregants at the Sungai Ara Al-Huda Mosque in Bayan Lepas today.

The media today reported an announcement from the office of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, stating that Israel will allow the delivery of “temporary aid” through its border at the northern part of the Gaza Strip.

Elaborating, Anwar said that the humanitarian aid mission from Malaysia is currently on standby at the Rafah border.

“I asked (Egyptian) President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi twice, and two weeks ago he helped expedite it, and the third time it arrived, but now what’s on standby is still there,” he said.

Earlier, Anwar and the other congregants listened to the sermon by Penang Fatwa committee member Mohd Sukki Othman, before performing Friday prayers, led by the mosque’s Imam Syaraafat Yaacob.

After the Friday prayers, the prime minister spent some time greeting and mingling with congregants.

Anwar is scheduled to attend the Penang development briefing at Komtar before heading to the Madani Bubur Lambuk Programme at the Kubang Semang Mosque in Bukit Mertajam, conducting a walkabout at the Seberang Jaya Public Market Ramadan Bazaar and attending the state-level Madani breaking fast event at UiTM Penang during his visit to the state today.

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