

# Thai DPM pays courtesy call on Anwar

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**PUTRAJAYA:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim yesterday received a visit from Thai Deputy Prime Minister Gen Prawit Wongsuwan at his official residence Seri Perdana here.

Prawit was accompanied by Thai Deputy Defence Minister Gen Chaichan Changmongko during the courtesy call.

Prawit and his delegation were received by Anwar, Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohamad Hasan and Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail when they arrived at Seri Perdana at about noon.

Anwar told reporters that in their 2-hour meeting, he and Prawit discussed various issues.

Anwar then hosted lunch for the Thai delegation before they left for home yesterday afternoon.

Prawit and his delegation had arrived at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport in Subang at 11am for the special one-day visit to Malaysia.

The visit was aimed at strengthening bilateral ties and for leaders of the two countries to exchange views and information for the benefit of the region.



*Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim (left) welcoming Thai Deputy Prime Minister General Prawit Wongsuwan at Seri Perdana in Putrajaya yesterday. BERNAMA PIC*

This is Prawit's second visit to Malaysia since the country's borders were opened in April this year after the Covid-19 pandemic was brought under control.

Prawit was also here in May to attend the 55th Malaysia-Thailand General Border Committee meeting.

Malaysia and Thailand established diplomatic relations 65 years ago after Malaysia gained independence in 1957.

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