

PM: No negotiated tender

MLFF project will go through transparent, proper process

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PETALING JAYA: The tender process for a project to instal barrier-free boom gates at all tolled highways will be carried out properly and transparently, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The Prime Minister refuted reports that the project, called the multi-lane fast flow system (MLFF), would be awarded through a negotiated tender, in contrast with his administration's preference for open tender for all government projects.

"There is no basis whatsoever to assume that the process will be through a negotiated tender. No.

"We will go through a proper and transparent process, as we have already made clear," Anwar said to reporters after performing Friday prayers at the Kota



Religious obligation: Anwar meeting fellow Muslims after Friday prayers at the Kota Damansara mosque. — Bernama

Damansara mosque yesterday.

Anwar added that the agreement for the RM3.46bil project, which was allegedly inked before the 15th General Election in

November last year, Will be reviewed.

"We will have to relook the whole process to see whether the process was fully adhered to,"

said Anwar.

Earlier this month, it was reported that 32 highway toll concessionaires had criticised Putrajaya's decision to award the project to a private company, which would implement MLFF for all highways.

MLFF is a barrier-free system for entering highways that uses a gantry without designated booths or lanes, where toll is collected using radio-frequency identification devices (RFID) that work together with an automated number plate recognition (ANPR) system.

It was reported that the agreement was signed by the previous government and a private company on Nov 17 last year.

In March, the government said it would spend RM3.46bil to instal the MLFF in order to reduce congestion on all tolled highways.