

# 'Malaysia Madani' to restore nation's dignity, glory: PM

**PUTRAJAYA:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has introduced "Malaysia Madani" in an effort to restore Malaysia's dignity and glory in the global arena.

Malaysia Madani lays out Anwar's vision of a civilised, skilled and inclusive society based on six core values, namely sustainability, prosperity, innovation, respect, trust and compassion.

In delivering his mandate themed "Developing Malaysia Madani" yesterday, Anwar called on his Cabinet members and civil servants to practise the core values in all administrative affairs.

"I have high confidence that Malaysia will be able to rise again on the world stage. We don't want Malaysia to be polluted with scandals, problems and conflicts.

"Malaysia Madani will restore the country's right to be known and respected as a prosperous nation."

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Present were Deputy Prime Ministers Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof, as well as a majority of Cabinet members.

Anwar said *Madani*, a term that has been repeatedly mentioned by most thinkers, requires Malaysians, including the unity government's leadership, to restore and uphold the dignity of the people based on trust, good values and morals as well as fair and effective governance.

He said some of the measures to be announced during the tabling of the revised 2023 Budget in Parliament on Feb 24, will see a return to the basics, such as speeding up approvals and stopping methods of getting

undeserved commissions.

Anwar added that such measures could boost confidence by establishing a system or legal government that would not oppress or pressure individuals or factions that do not support the government.

"This is what is referred to as a government machinery that is responsible for implementing policies, functioning optimally and solving governance issues with coordination. But, it must start with top-level management."

Anwar said the humanitarian aspect should always be taken into account in driving the nation's growth, *Bernama* reported.

"Caring too much about having new malls, but not caring

enough about stalls operated by the poor. This is an example of the element of *karamah insaniah* (human dignity), which had been belittled in governance.

"This is why the leadership, be it at the federal, state or district level, as well as civil servants from the top to lower levels, while discussing post-Covid growth and development, should learn lessons from the past and act appropriately to meet current demands."

Anwar added that the unity government's entire leadership needs to lay a new foundation and culture, and do away with things that have a negative impact on the country.

"Open our hearts, save our country. This nation of ours once had very good potential but has also hit rock bottom.

"So, let's give a chance to our children and next generations so that our hope can be rebuilt with the strength we have, starting now."