

Don't drag royalty into political talk, warns Anwar

SUNGAI BESAR: The royal institution, including the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, should not be dragged into discussions about politics, says Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

This is because the position and stature of the Malay Rulers differ from their subjects, and the sovereignty of the royal institution should be respected by all parties, he said.

“Therefore, don’t drag the Yang di-Pertuan Agong into our affairs,” Anwar warned, Bernama reported.

“Here (they are) claiming that the Yang di-Pertuan Agong did not ask to support the unity government or come together to form the unity government.

“We all have our Rulers and the Yang di-Pertuan Agong. Do not equate the Rulers with us.

“They cannot (make speeches) and campaign like this, they need to maintain their status,” Anwar said after an entrepreneurship programme at the ‘Sentuhan Kasih Desa Selangor’ event at the Sungai Besar Stadium here yesterday.

As such, he said all parties should not offend the Malay Rulers or they would have to face legal action.

“If I have a difference of opinion, I will take it up with His Majesty and present my views and that is the way,” Anwar added.

“Everyone, please understand this.”