

## Protect country from divisive racial elements: PM

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim wants Malaysia to be protected from divisive racial elements.

In a message on Facebook and Twitter on Tuesday in conjunction with the Maal Hijrah 1445 celebrations, Anwar said peace and stability must be the main goals to ensure that the people's welfare is protected.

He said any attempt to transform this constitutional and sovereign country into a chaotic

and racist nation would absolutely not be tolerated.

"Therefore, in welcoming Maal Hijrah 1445, let us be committed to making our migration one that is real and true.

"Migrate from evil to good, from being corrupt to trustworthy, from bigotry to having a free mind, and from narrow-minded racism to *taayush silmi* (consensus)."

Citing the history of Prophet Muhammad SAW's migration and

establishing the city of Madinah, Anwar said the Prophet had laid the foundation of Islamic governance with teachings and an understanding of morals, values and principles.

Anwar said emerging from the spiritual values that were taught was a national policy that reflected mercy and justice for all.

"Thereon, the Prophet's migration buried racism for good. An alliance with the *Muhajirin* and *Ansar*, and before that with the

Ethiopian King Ashamah, was a reflection of the cooperation in all things good.

"The city of Madinah, surrounded by the diversity of religions, cultures and races, was then established.

"This is how the migration of the Prophet and his companions became a fresh *ibrah* (lesson) throughout the ages. As for us today, let us defend this blessed earth from the elements of racism that divide us." - Bernama