

# Doing best within our means: Anwar

Anwar, when tabling Budget 2024 in the Dewan Rakyat on Friday, announced the early incentive payment of RM2,000 for all civil servants in Grade 56 and below, including contract appointees.

Despite the financial constraints, he said the Budget also focused on education, health and basic infrastructure for the people.

"If we are bound too much by financial constraints, this will make the people miserable. For me, when it comes to education, the health of the

people in general, that cannot be sacrificed."

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Anwar said the government is looking into measures that can be improved in Budget 2024.

"Whatever is within our means, we will do it to the best, whatever is needed to be improved, we will improve," he added.

He said the 114-page Budget 2024 was the result of teamwork.

"This Budget was tabled by the Finance Ministry, but it is a team effort with the deputy

prime ministers leading several cabinet committees.

"The chief secretary to the government leads the public service machinery. All ministries and departments were also required to provide inputs."

Anwar also praised the staff of all ministries who had enabled all agendas planned by the government to be implemented successfully.

He attributed the success to the commitment, dedication, determination and sincerity of the civil servants in carrying out the tasks entrusted to them.