

# Education is the key to achieving NIMP goal

**PRIME** Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim launched the New Industrial Master Plan 2030 (NIMP 2030) last week.

One of its goals is to put Malaysia in the league of new industrial nations.

The challenges are daunting. We as a nation have been hampered in our progress, especially by the Covid-19 pandemic.

We have had a respectful gross domestic product growth of about 4.5 per cent for a long time.

This gives us the confidence to achieve a higher level of growth.

For countries that hope to be in the league of industrialised nations, we have to be strong in science and technology.

Our level of science education, for instance, should be our pride and joy.

If it is in a robust and healthy state, this is all well and good.

But if we are lacking in this area, including in terms of student enrolment, we have to be concerned.

We need ample human resources for NIMP 2030 to work. Education is our hope for a brighter future.

We need more people who can help elevate our country.

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*Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim launching the New Industrial Master Plan 2030 in Kuala Lumpur recently. He is flanked by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi (left) and Investment, Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz. PIC BY ASHRAF HAMZAH*