

# 'TAKE URGENT ACTION TO END GAZA KILLINGS'

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Global community must push for cessation of violence against Palestinians, says Anwar

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**T**HE international community must urgently call for an end to the massacre in Gaza, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

He said this was conveyed to Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan when they discussed regional and international issues,

including the situation in Palestine, in a call on Wednesday.

"I said the international community must urgently insist that the massacre and elimination of the people of Gaza be stopped.

"Malaysia will continue to be committed to voicing the country's firm stance on the plight of the Palestinian people on the world stage," he said in a post on his official Facebook page.

He said Erdogan hoped to intensify the relationship between the two countries, especially in trade and defence.

Anwar said he invited Erdogan to visit Malaysia.

He said the two leaders also exchanged Aidilfitri greetings.

The prime minister also received a call from his Pakistani

counterpart, Shehbaz Sharif, on Wednesday.

Anwar said Malaysia and Pakistan agreed to enhance cooperation by exploring opportunities in trade and investment.

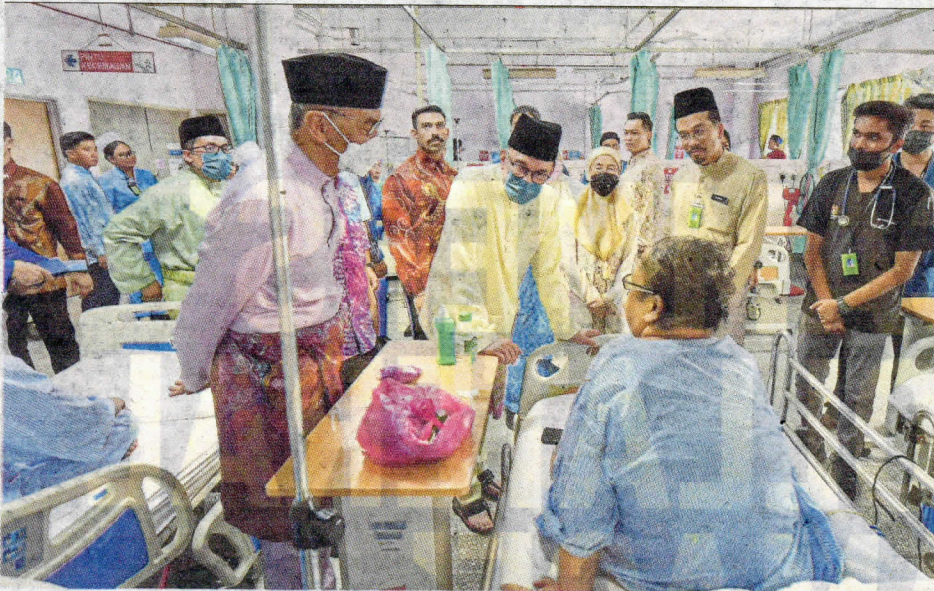
He said he welcomed the proposal from Shehbaz.

"Apart from wishing each other Eid Mubarak, we also expressed our hope to strengthen cooperation between the two countries.

"Prime Minister Shehbaz also reiterated his invitation to me to visit Pakistan soon," Anwar said in a Facebook post.

He said they also discussed the latest developments in Gaza and Afghanistan.

"Shehbaz praised Malaysia for our stance on Palestine." **Bernama**



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim (front row, second from left) speaking to a patient during a visit to Kuala Lumpur Hospital on Hari Raya Aidilfitri yesterday. With him are his wife, Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail (Anwar's left), and Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr Dzulkefly Ahmad (front row, left). BERNAMA PIC