

PM DISCUSSES GAZA CEASEFIRE IN CALL WITH IRAN PRESIDENT

In Facebook post, he says he also spoke to Hamas official

KUALA LUMPUR

PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim discussed key efforts for a ceasefire and lasting peace in Gaza

with Iranian President Dr Masoud Pezeshkian and Hamas official Dr Basem Naim.

“Before my departure to India yesterday (Monday), I had phone calls with President of Iran, Dr Masoud Pezeshkian and Dr Basem Naim, a member of the Hamas Political Bureau,” Anwar said in a post on Facebook yesterday.

“Our conversation focused on several crucial efforts aimed at achieving a ceasefire and ensuring lasting peace in Gaza.

“I reiterated Malaysia’s commitment to support such initiatives to achieve the objectives un-

der the guidance of key countries, including Turkiye, Qatar and Iran.”

He said one of the major points of the conversation was Turkiye’s proposal to convene an emergency session of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation to mobilise leaders of the Islamic world to pressure the United States and its allies to compel Israel to cease its attacks on Gaza.

“*Alhamdulillah*, the Iranian government and Hamas are in agreement and expressed their support for this initiative, including a shared consensus on extending invitations to non-Muslim nations that stand for justice and human rights for the Palestinian people, such as South Africa, Brazil, Spain, Ireland and Portugal.

“Additionally, Dr Masoud, Dr Basem and I believe that any meaningful progress towards peace must begin with the unconditional cessation of all military actions and acts of aggression against the Palestinian people by the Israelis.”