

CENTRAL DATABASE

ANWAR TO LAUNCH PADU TODAY

Citizens and permanent residents can register to verify 39 data points

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PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim will launch the Central Database Hub (Padu), which contains individual and household profiles of citizens

and permanent residents in Malaysia, at the Putrajaya International Convention Centre today.

The event, scheduled from 8.30am to 2pm, will include a presentation on Padu by Chief Statistician Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Uzir

Mahidin and a forum titled "Driving Transition Through Padu" before Anwar launches the database at 12.15pm.

The Economy Ministry, in a Facebook post yesterday, said Padu would be open to all Malaysians after the launch.

Padu aims to provide a safe, comprehensive and near real-time repository of national data to enable more accurate analytics for policy formulation and data-

driven decision-making.

The integrated and centralised database will ensure targeted policy implementation to balance Malaysia's fiscal position.

Profile would be generated through the integration of administrative data from various sources and a part of it would be updated by individuals.

Padu will improve management efficiency by facilitating the collection, storage and man-

agement of data from sources.

It also aims to improve the delivery of government services to the people.

Apart from effective monitoring and evaluation of national policies, Padu can save government resources.

Malaysians aged 18 and above need to register in the system to check, update and verify 39 items of personal information. Bernama