

Cabinet to discuss response to ICJ ruling on Israel

CYBERJAYA: The Cabinet will determine during its Wednesday meeting what measures Malaysia will take in condemning Israel, in line with the International Court of Justice's (ICJ) recent ruling, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The Prime Minister said the ICJ had ruled that Israel's settlement activities in Palestinian territories violated international law.

"Malaysia fully supports the ICJ's decision, which is based on clear evidence of Israel's ongoing aggression and brutality.

"We will therefore review the proposals and implications stemming from the ICJ's ruling," he said after launching the National Month and Fly the Jalur Gemilang 2024 campaign here yesterday, Bernama reported.

On Friday, ICJ president Nawaf Salam said the United Nations court had confirmed its jurisdiction to issue an advisory opinion on the legal consequences of Israel's occupation of the Palestinian territories, noting that it possessed sufficient information on the matter.

Israel's settlement policy does not comply with its obligations under international law, Salam had told the court, noting that its settlement activities in violation of international law continued to expand.

"Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories is de facto annexation, which violates Palestinians' rights to self-determination," he added.

The ICJ in The Hague held hearings from Feb 19-26 on the legal consequences of Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories, including East Jerusalem.