



We need investment, digital, artificial intelligence, poverty eradication, and leadership from youths, said Anwar - **BERNAMAPIC**

# 'Heed govt's call to reject corruption, abuse of power'

> NGOs, youth movements need to leave behind practices of injustice, oppression to ensure country's progress: PM

**IPOH:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has urged NGOs and youth movements in the country to heed the government's call to reject corruption, abuse of power and oppression.

Anwar said Prophet Muhammad, with strong faith, belief and morals, defended rights and upheld justice by rejecting corruption, oppression and bribery within society.

He said the country will progress and develop if the people emulate these qualities, understand the true meaning of *hijrah* (to emigrate), and wake up from their slumber to uplift their dignity, Bernama reported.

"*Hijrah* means leaving behind outdated practices and *syirik* (the sin of ascribing a partner or rival to Allah in Lordship), practices of injustice, oppression and rampant slander. Only by doing this will we change, and I believe Malaysian Five Generation Organisation will have the same spirit that we

will save our nation and our people.

"I happen to belong to the older generation, but when defending our rights and sovereignty, I don't care. You can criticise and condemn me as much as you want, throw me in jail, (but) I get out and continue fighting," he said at the organisation's launching ceremony here on Sunday night.

Perak Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Saarani Mohamad, Deputy Youth and Sports Minister Adam Adli Abd Halim, state Communications, Multimedia and NGO Committee chairman Mohd Azlan Helmi and organisation president Datuk Abdullah Ghani Kassim were also present at the event.

Anwar said Malaysians could not be complacent as the country was now competing to develop, so everyone needed to be equipped with knowledge, raise their understanding of justice and unite to make Malaysia a great country.

"We need investment, digital, artificial

intelligence, poverty eradication, and leadership from youths, national political leaders who reject tyranny and stop power abuse for self-enrichment.

"I guarantee that with the power invested in me, I will ensure that the organisation or *silat gayung* or any other machinery will be strengthened in lifting our country to become great."

The prime minister said he wants everyone to stop fighting and use the spirit of *hijrah* to show that they are knowledgeable, conscientious, hard-working people capable of upholding justice for the country and its people.

"We need this spirit among the Malay, Chinese, Indian, Dayak, and Kadazan youths; this is our country, and we will save our country," he said.

At the event, Anwar also presented donations from the organisation to five students in the state who excelled in their examinations - two who scored four As in their Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM) Term 1 2024, one who scored four As in the STPM Term 2 2024 and two who achieved excellent scores for their Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia 2023.