



Anwar, flanked by Saifuddin Nasution (left) and Raja Nushirwan, showing a book titled *Keselamatan Negara Tanggungjawab Bersama: Peranan, Isu dan Cabaran* at the event in Putrajaya yesterday. - **BERNAMAPIC**

## Extra RM100m for upgrading northern border security facilities

**PUTRAJAYA:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim announced an additional allocation of RM100 million for upgrading security facilities at the northern border of the Peninsula, involving Kedah, Perlis and Kelantan.

Anwar said he had directed the management and financial processes for the improvements to be expedited, considering the poor condition of most northern border security facilities.

"There is need for improvements in the northern Peninsula. On Aug 3, I will meet Thailand's Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin in Golok and Rantau Panjang to discuss border

security and to stimulate economic growth in the northern Peninsula and southern Thailand," he said when launching National Security Month yesterday.

Present were Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail, Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin, Digital Minister Gobind Singh Deo and National Security Director-General Datuk Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin.

Anwar also said the development of basic infrastructure at the Sarawak-Kalimantan border, following the development of Indonesia's new capital city Nusantara, needs

to be prioritised and action plans should not be delayed.

On Jan 20 last year, the government announced an allocation of RM1 billion for the development of basic infrastructure at the Sarawak-Kalimantan border following the development of Indonesia's new capital city.

This allocation is for the construction of the Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security Complex and roads in the areas near the border.

Anwar said he has asked for the latest report on the development progress to be presented to him in a meeting tomorrow. - **Bernamea**