

# Anwar first Leader to congratulate Prabowo

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim became the first leader to congratulate Prabowo Subianto, who was announced on Wednesday as the official winner of the Indonesian presidential election 2024.

In wishing him the best of luck, Anwar expressed confidence that Prabowo would be able to carry out the given mandate with excellence for the continuous progress and prosperity of Indonesia.

"I have contacted the president-elect of the Republic of Indonesia His Excellency Mr Prabowo Subianto to congratulate him on his success in the recently concluded Indonesian presidential election.

"I was informed that I was the first leader to congratulate him after the official announcement of the Indonesian presidential election results," said Anwar in a post on his Facebook page.

He said it was meaningful because it symbolised the value of friendship between Malaysia and Indonesia, which is very special as a close and important neighbour, Bernama reported.

Anwar said he and Prabowo are determined to strengthen bilateral ties covering various aspects and pledged to cooperate closely in various multilateral forums, especially within the scope of Asean.

On Wednesday, the Indonesian General Election Commission announced Prabowo-Gibran Rakabuming Raka as the official winners of the 2024 election.