



PM mourns loss of ex-BNM governor

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim expressed deep sorrow over the death of his friend, former Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) governor Tan Sri Ahmad Mohd Don (*pic*).

In a Facebook posting, Anwar said that before becoming the governor, the late Ahmad served as the chief executive officer of Maybank from 1991 to 1994.

"I was deeply affected when I received the news that my close friend Tan Sri Ahmad Mohd Don had died late last night.

"I pray for strength for his family during this difficult time, and may his soul be forgiven by Allah and be granted the best place by Him," he wrote, Bernama reported.

Ahmad's eldest son, Shahril Hafiz, 48, was quoted in the media report yesterday as saying that his father was brought back to their home in Kampung Stulang Baru, Majidee in Johor Baru from Kuala Lumpur at 8pm before the latter passed away at 1.55am yesterday.

He said Ahmad was admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of a private hospital in the capital about two weeks ago due to heart complications.

Ahmad, 77, was buried at the Muslim cemetery in Kampung Sungai Danga at around 11am.

The late Ahmad was appointed as the fifth governor of Bank Negara Malaysia in May 1994, succeeding Tan Sri Jaffar Hussein, and served until August 1998,

With extensive experience in finance and banking, the father of seven also served as the chief executive officer of Maybank from 1991 to 1994 and has been the chairman of the Board of Directors of Alliance Bank Malaysia Bhd since 2017.