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PM: EXPEDITE SARAWAK EDUCATION PROJECTS

The people want school construction to start without delay, says Anwar

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THE Works and Education Ministries have been told to expedite school projects in Sarawak.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said the public wanted education infrastructure projects to start without delay.

He said the federal and state governments must intensify efforts to protect their shared interests.

“There have been calls for me to announce the development of new schools, whether secondary or national schools, across Sarawak — including in Sarikei, Mukah, Daro, Sri Aman and Saratok — either through rebuilding efforts or new construction.

“I’ve requested that none of these projects be delayed... they must be carried out as soon as possible because the people want them expedited,” he said.

Anwar said this in his speech at the state 2025 Madani Hari Raya celebration at Stadium Perpaduan in Petra Jaya yesterday.

Present were Premier Tan Sri Abang Johari Abang Openg, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof and Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Shamsul Azri Abu Bakar.

Anwar praised Sarawak for using its funds first for projects, including a cancer hospital, as it was one of the best ways to overcome construction delays.

“The project (the cancer hospital) requires RM1 billion in funding and Sarawak has decided to proceed using its funds, with the federal government to reimburse the costs later.

“Once completed, the hospital will serve not only Sarawak but the nation as a whole, becoming the leading cancer hospital in the country,” he said.

He added that Sarawakians should be grateful for the state’s progress, with the state remain-

ing peaceful, its economy growing, and leaders who listen to the people’s concerns.

“Sarawak’s political system is stable, and its leadership has vision, firmness and ideas rooted in learning from experience, and discovering talent and capabilities.

“Moreover, Sarawak makes a significant contribution to the country, and wherever I go — be it Europe, China, Japan, or Asean — I highlight Sarawak’s immense potential as a regional energy hub,” he said.

Anwar also warned that constant anger towards the government and a lack of appreciation could bring

misfortune.

“Especially in these uncertain times, United States President Donald Trump’s imposition of tariffs is a reminder of global unpredictability.

“So, what must we do?”

“We must prepare and strengthen our household so that when calamities strike, we can endure,” he added.

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