

HEARTFELT MESSAGES

Well-wishes, prayers as Malaysians mark Anwar's 78th birthday

KUALA LUMPUR: Social media was flooded yesterday with prayers and well-wishes for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim on his 78th birthday.

Heartfelt messages from cabinet members, state leaders, senior government officials, netizens and citizens of all backgrounds reflected public confidence in Anwar's leadership

and his push to advance the Malaysia Madani vision for a prosperous and harmonious nation.

In a Facebook post, the Prime Minister's Office wished Anwar good health, longevity and strength to continue steering the country towards a just and prosperous Malaysia Madani.

"All staff at the Prime Minis-

ter's Office extend our warmest wishes to Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim on his 78th birthday," the post read, accompanied by a 44-second video highlighting key moments in his leadership journey.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Religious Affairs) Datuk Dr Mohd Na'im Mokhtar also prayed for Anwar to be blessed with health, strength and wisdom in leading the nation and realising the Malaysia Madani vision.

Among the well-wishers was Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Federal Territories) Datuk Seri Dr Zaliha Mustafa, who expressed her appreciation for his steadfastness and patience.

Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Datuk Armizan Mohd Ali offered a brief but heartfelt message, praying for Anwar to be blessed with Allah's grace and longevity.

Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Amirudin Shari described

Anwar as a distinguished national leader who governed with wisdom.

Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Shamsul Azri Abu Bakar conveyed his gratitude for Anwar's leadership.

"Thank you for your wise and dedicated leadership in building Malaysia Madani," he said.

Housing and Local Government Minister Nga Kor Ming presented a specially commissioned sculpture titled "Rise Up Together" to Anwar.

Nga — who is also president of the United Nations-Habitat Assembly — said the sculpture, commissioned during his official visit to Nairobi, Kenya, for the assembly, symbolises national unity and harmony amid Malaysia's diversity.

"The artwork represents the strength and unity of Malaysians of all races and religions standing together as one, reflecting the core vision of the Malaysia Madani government to unite the nation and lead it to greater

heights," he said in a statement.

Elsewhere on social media, the Malaysia Madani Facebook page posted a 2-minute-41-second reel featuring birthday wishes for the prime minister from various segments of society.

Adding a special touch, Federal Territories Mufti Ahmad Fauwaz Fadzil, Penang Mufti Associate Professor Dr Mohd Sukki Othman, academic and preacher Professor Datuk Dr Mohd Farid Ravi Abdullah and motivational speaker-preacher Zul Ramli M. Razali joined in offering prayers for the prime minister.

Malaysians of all ages, races and professions also sent their wishes, including a heartwarming gesture from pupils of SK Presint 14 Putrajaya, who formed the number 78 to mark the prime minister's age.

"May Allah bless him with good health, longevity and the continued strength to lead the nation towards a prosperous, just and harmonious Malaysia Madani," the post read. **Bernama**