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Anwar and Erdogan being greeted by a group of children during an event at the Seri Perdana Complex in Putrajaya yesterday. - **BERNAMAPIC**



Malaysia, Turkiye exchange 11 MoUs

PUTRAJAYA: Malaysia and Turkiye have exchanged 11 MoUs to enhance cooperation in various sectors, during Turkiye President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's official visit to Malaysia.

The documents, covering key areas such as energy transition, disaster management, defence, trade and media collaboration, were exchanged in the presence of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and Erdogan.

The MoU on cooperation in energy transition was exchanged between Deputy Prime Minister and Energy Transition and Water Transformation Minister Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof and Turkiye's Energy and Natural Resources Minister Alparslan Bayraktar.

The National Disaster Management Agency exchanged an MoU with Turkiye's Disaster and Emergency Management Authority, while both countries also formalised a pact on

diplomatic training.

Defence cooperation took a significant step forward with the exchange of two agreements.

The first focused on government-to-government procurement and the establishment of a Joint Committee for Defence Products, with the MoU exchanged between Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin and Turkiye Secretary of Defence Industries Prof Haluk Gorgun.

The second MoU, involving strategic communication systems, was exchanged between Malaysia's National Security Council and Turkiye's Defence Industries Secretariat.

Selangor Aviation and Technology Innovation Sdn Bhd agreed to partner with Turkiye's Defence Industries Secretariat for smart city, traffic and security system solutions.

The Domestic Trade and Cost of Living

Ministry and Turkiye's Trade Ministry exchanged an MoU focusing on consumer protection, market surveillance and inspection.

The Home Ministry also exchanged an agreement for the procurement of a multi-purpose mission ship for the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency from Turkiye's Desan Shipyard.

The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission exchanged an MoU with Turkiye's Radio and Television Supreme Council on audio visual media services.

In 2024, Turkiye was Malaysia's third-largest trading partner, largest export destination and fourth-largest import source among West Asia countries.

The total trade between Malaysia and Turkiye was recorded at RM24.13 billion in 2024, an 18.7% increase from 2023. - Bernama