

Malaysia and India to expand ties from education to AI

RIO DE JANEIRO: Malaysia and India have proposed to set up an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) campus in Malaysia, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The institute is regarded as one of the top higher learning institutions in India.

The Prime Minister said Malaysia was committed to further strengthening people-to-people ties through collaboration in culture, tourism and education.

He said India was exploring investment opportunities in Malaysia's future-focused sectors - digital economy, artificial intelligence, renewable energy and aerospace.

Anwar, who held a bilateral meeting with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the sidelines of the 17th BRICS Summit, said, "We explored the great potential to expand strategic cooperation between Malaysia and India across various areas, including trade, investment, digital technology and defence."

Both parties, he said, empha-



sised the importance of ensuring regional peace and stability, and voiced support for just and peaceful resolutions to international issues such as those involving Palestine and Jammu-Kashmir.

Malaysia, Anwar said, welcomed efforts to reinforce the Asean-India relationship ahead of

the Asean-India Summit in Kuala Lumpur this October.

Anwar also had a bilateral meet with South African President Cyril Ramaphosa.

They spoke about reassessing various forms of cooperation across different fields and devising steps to expand strategic

investments in in agriculture, automotive, tourism and the halal industries.

Anwar also expressed appreciation for South Africa's support for the Palestinian people's struggle, including its tireless efforts at the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

Deepening ties: Anwar having a meeting with Modi in Rio de Janeiro. - Bernama