

WELL-WISHES POUR IN FOR SULTAN IBRAHIM

Leaders pray for Allah's guidance for the ruler on his official birthday as sultan of Johor

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PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim congratulated His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, King of Malaysia, on his official birthday as sultan of Johor yesterday.

He prayed that Sultan Ibrahim and the royal family would be blessed with Allah's mercy and guidance, and that His Majesty remained in good health, prosperity and sovereignty.

"With utmost respect to His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, the Sovereign Ruler of the State and Territories of Johor Darul Ta'zim, the King.

"I extend my highest congratulations on the occasion of the official birthday celebration on March 23.

"May Allah preserve the sultan," he said in a Facebook post.

Deputy Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi extended his congratulations to the sultan of Johor.

He prayed for Sultan Ibrahim to continue ruling with wisdom.

"With utmost respect to His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, the Sovereign Ruler of the State and Territories of Johor Darul Ta'zim and the King of Malaysia, I extend my heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of His Majesty's official birthday celebration," he said in a Facebook post.

"Daulat Tuanku. On behalf of my family, the staff of the Deputy Prime Minister's Office and the Rural and Regional Development Ministry, as well as the Umno leadership and members, I extend my heartfelt congratulations."

Communications Minister Datuk Fahmi Fadzil, on behalf of Communications Ministry staff members, conveyed his congratulations on Sultan Ibrahim's official birthday.

In a Facebook post, Fahmi prayed that Sultan Ibrahim, the queen and the royal family would be blessed with Allah's mercy and guidance, good health and reign with full sovereignty.

Many other leaders extended their congratulations to Sultan Ibrahim.

Johor residents wished the sultan a happy birthday, saying they prayed for his continued health.

These included Menteri Besar Datuk Onn Hafiz Ghazali, who offered his best wishes and congratulations on behalf of Bangsa Johor.

According to the Johor Military Force website, Sultan Ibrahim's birthday is on Nov 22.

However, official celebrations are held on March 23 to avoid the unpredictable weather in November.