

'Iron out differences for party's sake'

Anwar: Those running in PKR elections are deserving

LANGKAWI: Members should not harbour enmity despite the intense competition or differences of opinion during the party's election, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The PKR president said they need to instill compassion and affection in themselves so that every dispute can be resolved amicably and cool the heated atmosphere within the party.

"I believe that even with intense competition, settle it, reconcile and forgive each other. Do not adopt a hostile attitude even if there are differences of opinion.

"Those competing for deputy, vice-president, Youth and Wanita positions are among old and loyal friends, and a large part of them are original fighters who have contributed greatly," he said after opening the Langkawi PKR office yesterday, Bernama reported.

Anwar, who is also the Prime Minister, said during campaigning, every statement issued should be cautiously made and never deny the services and sacrifices of those who have served the party for a long time.

He said based on his observation of the list of candidates, many are qualified to hold top positions in the party.

"I looked at the list and saw many are quite qualified.

"If there were two deputy posi-



New chapter. Anwar signing a plaque at the launching ceremony of the Langkawi PKR branch's office near Kuah in Langkawi, flanked by Kedah PKR leadership council chairman Nurin Aina Abdullah (left) and Langkawi branch head Ismail Wasi Ahmad Shafawi (right). – Bernama

tions, I would support two people.

"Looking at everyone, they have good records. But once you've chosen A or B or C, don't degrade the dignity of others," Anwar said.

"In the struggle, there must be etiquette and morals. And don't

forget the core of Madani.

"This is a matter of values, which must be maintained as a core (element).

"Moral issues are a priority," he added.

The PKR president also remind-

ed members to strengthen the party machinery.

Anwar said efforts to empower membership should be intensified, in addition to being more proactive in recruiting new members, especially at the

branch level.

"Everyone needs to cooperate and must focus on change, the measure of which is membership and branch activities. Otherwise, there will be no progress," he said.