

## PM discusses palm oil products tariff rate with Ethiopia

**ADDIS ABABA:** Malaysia is ready to export products such as chicken, bird's nest and animal feed to Ethiopia, in addition to providing expertise in oil palm cultivation and high-quality seedlings, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

"I also proposed a review of import tariff rates on Malaysian palm oil products, which are gaining traction in the Ethiopian market," he said after a four-eye meeting with Ethiopian Prime Minister Dr Abiy Ahmed Ali on Wednesday.

Anwar said both leaders agreed to strengthen cooperation in tourism, education, health, research as well as technical and vocational education and training.

He agreed to continue Malaysia's support for Ethiopia's economic reform agenda through the Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme.

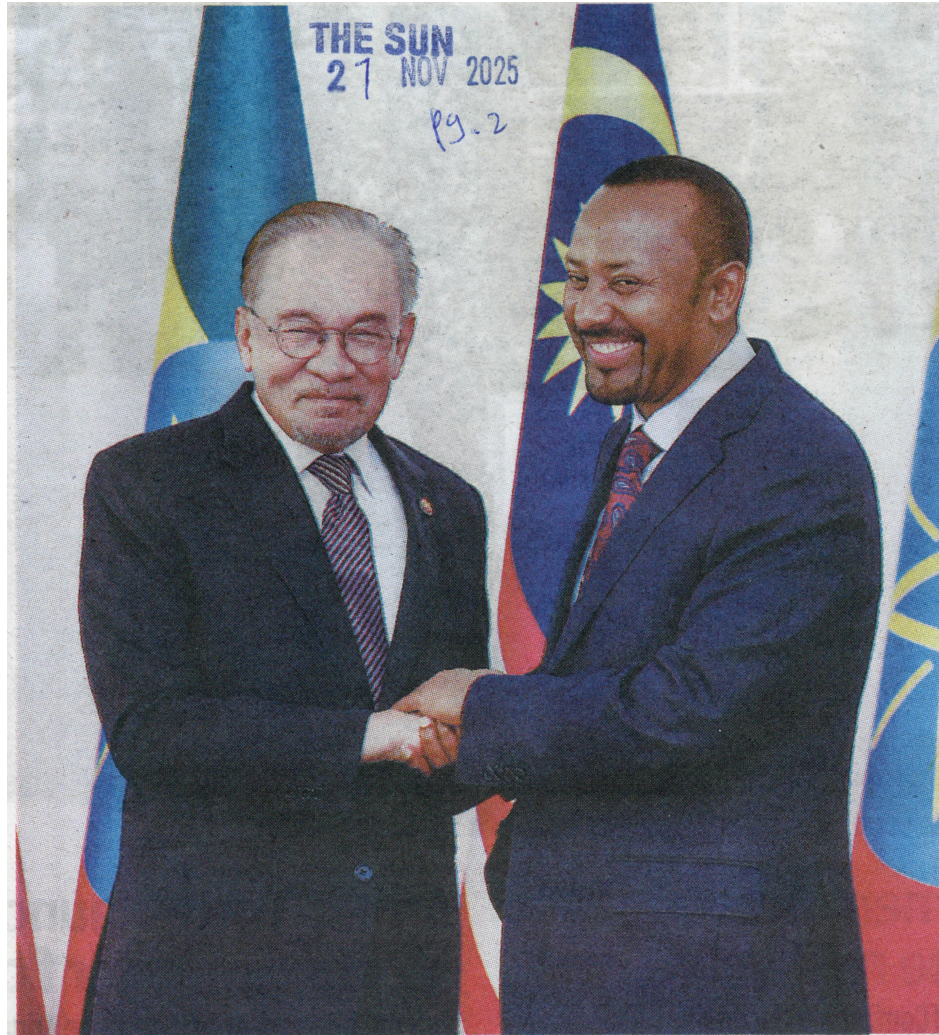
Anwar said he highlighted the vast potential in artificial intelligence, semiconductors, the *halal* industry, cybersecurity and emerging opportunities in Malaysia.

"Malaysia also welcomes more active participation from Ethiopian companies in trade missions and business-matching activities."

Anwar also expressed appreciation for Ethiopia's support for Malaysia's aspiration to join BRICS, and congratulated the country on its selection as host of the COP32 climate summit in 2027.

Ethiopia was Malaysia's 26th-largest trading partner in Africa in 2024, and is the first country visited by Anwar on his tour of the continent.

From Addis Ababa, Anwar will travel to Johannesburg in South Africa to attend the G20 Leaders' Summit and then visit Nairobi in Kenya from Nov 23 to 24, before returning to Kuala Lumpur. - Bernama



Anwar and Abiy Ahmed at a joint media conference held at the National Palace in Addis Ababa yesterday. - BERNAMAPIC