

Anwar needs time to rest before becoming active again

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KUALA LUMPUR, May 14 (Bernama) -- Give time for PKR de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to rest before returning to discharge his political duty.

Anwar's wife, Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail said in addition, space should be given so that the power transition to the present government could be implemented smoothly and peacefully.

"Let him regain his health first and allow the transition process to go smoothly before he returns to participate (in political activities). Alhamdulillah his health is getting better and (we are) waiting for his release to celebrate the Ramadan with family members and perform the 'tarawikh' prayers," the PKR president told reporters here today.

Dr Wan Azizah, who has been announced as the Deputy Prime Minister, said that Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad had contacted her personally to inform that the Pardons Board would have a meeting on Wednesday to obtain the consent of Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V for Anwar's release.

Dr Wan Azizah had earlier visited Anwar who was undergoing treatment at the Cheras Rehabilitation Hospital.

Anwar, who was jailed at the Sungai Buloh Prison, was scheduled to be released on June 8.

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