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KUALA LUMPUR: There will be no "dissolution" of the Negri Sembilan state assembly in the near future, and all assemblymen must abide by a royal decree that the state government continue as it is, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The Prime Minister said this was not the time for political infighting that could cause instability and end up punishing the people.

Anwar also brushed off a "simple majority" cooperation announced by 14 Barisan Nasional along with five Perikatan Nasional state reps.

Such a cooperation does not hold water for now, he said after officiating the project launch of UCSI University's campus expansion here yesterday.

The Perikatan reps, too, should abide by the royal decree, said Anwar.

"The Yang di-Pertuan Besar has asked Datuk Seri Aminuddin Harun to continue as the Menteri Besar for now, for the sake of the people's welfare and the state's interests.

"Aminuddin will continue with his duties until the issue of the Negri Sembilan's state constitu-

tion is solved. I have also asked the Menteri Besar to carry on as usual, while the legal process is not being obstructed," he said.

"The current problem is not due to the state constitution or the Menteri Besar but the interpretation of the state laws involving the Yang di-Pertuan Besar and the four Undang."

On April 19, the four Undang decided to remove Yang di-Pertuan Besar Tuanku Muhriz Tuanku Munawir on grounds of misconduct.

The four are the Undang of Sungei Ujong Datuk Mubarak Dohak, Undang of Jelebu Datuk Maarof Mat Rashad, Undang of Johol Datuk Muhammed Abdullah and Undang of Rembau Datuk Abdul Rahim Yasin.

On April 27, the 14 Negri Sembilan Barisan assemblymen withdrew support for the government led by Aminuddin, after the Menteri Besar had said Tuanku Muhriz was still the Ruler of the state.

Barisan holds 14 of the state's 36 state seats while Perikatan has five. Pakatan Harapan has the remaining 17.

"We do not interfere with the legal process, allowing it to proceed without touching on matters involving the monarchy or the Undang, which we respect.



Addressing the issues at hand:

Anwar in a meeting with (from left) Ahmad Zahid, Transport Minister Anthony Loke and Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution. — Photo taken from Fahmi's Facebook page

"This is definitely not under our national jurisdiction," Anwar said, adding that decisions must be made by those who understand Negri Sembilan's legal system.

"I would like to stress that matters involving the royal institution must be handled wisely and prudently, while preserving the dignity and sanctity of the monarchy system."

Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi also said that the current turmoil in Negri Sembilan would be resolved

through political channels.

The Deputy Prime Minister said it was important to have a strong government in the state that could continue to serve and address the problems of the people.

"The best approach is to follow all existing regulations and procedures.

"We will resolve the current crisis through politics and we will not interfere in the administrative affairs of the state government or in the customary laws of Negri Sembilan" he said.

Communications Minister

Datuk Fahmi Fadzil also said the turmoil in Negri Sembilan has not affected relations between the two parties at federal level.

"At this point, the situation has no impact on the federal level. We are, of course, closely monitoring what is happening.

"We are aware that Negri Sembilan PH has made an announcement yesterday. At the federal level, I believe the leadership will decide on the way forward," he told reporters after officiating the Asia Pacific Online Safety Dialogue 2026 yesterday.



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