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MOSCOW: Russia has agreed to continue cooperating with Malaysia in nuclear energy development, covering institutional, human capital, technical, commercial and legal aspects, said Deputy Prime Minister Fadillah Yusof.

Speaking at a media conference after concluding his four-day working visit to Russia on Friday, he said one of the main objectives of the trip was to strengthen energy cooperation between the two countries.

He said in addition to existing cooperation in coal imports, he and Russian Deputy Prime Minister Alexey Overchuk discussed the potential for collaboration in the field of nuclear energy.

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of nuclear energy. The country's experience in nuclear energy technology could support Malaysia's aspirations under the National Energy Transition Roadmap."

Fadillah, who is also the Energy Transition and Water Transformation minister, said Russia's extensive experience in nuclear energy should be considered as Malaysia looks to enhance its future energy security, Bernama reported.

He also held a meeting on Friday with Russian state nuclear firm Rosatom's director-general Alexey

Likhachev, during which discussions covered technical and operational matters, including legal frameworks, technology transfer and workforce training.

He added that the meeting opened the door for direct dialogue between Malaysia's technical agencies and Rosatom to assess potential areas of nuclear cooperation, including the strengthening and modernisation of the power grid, which would in turn have a positive impact on Asean Power Grid cooperation.

Fadillah said the Cabinet

had, in principle, approved the consideration of nuclear energy as part of Malaysia's future energy mix.

"This is to address the current limitations in baseload energy supply. We are trying to reduce our dependence on coal and gas, but supply remains a challenge.

"In addition, we face constraints in hydroelectric generation due to limited water resources. Globally, many now see nuclear power as an option that must be considered."

Fadillah said the government must first undertake a thorough study of nuclear technology, including engagements with the public.

His visit followed Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's official visit to the country from May 13 to May 16.