



Daily Newswatch

Market Review

The FBM KLCI fell 0.1% to 1,665.9 points on Monday as investors stayed cautious amid a lack of fresh market catalysts, while continued profit-taking in selected heavyweight stocks weighed on overall sentiment. Plantation (-0.7%), Transportation & Logistics (-0.6%) and Construction (-0.3%) led sectoral losses, dragged by Nestle Malaysia (-2.5%), IHH Healthcare (-1.6%) and Kuala Lumpur Kepong (-1.6%). Market breadth, however, was bullish, with 554 gainers ahead of 480 losers, while 558 counters closed unchanged.

Asian markets closed mostly higher on Monday as investors balanced optimism over AI-driven growth against rising cost pressures, while South Korea's sweeping investment push into chips and AI helped stabilise regional sentiment following recent losses alongside a fragile U.S.-Iran ceasefire. South Korea's KOSPI was the only major Asian market to decline, falling 0.2% to 8,394.7, while Japan's Nikkei 225 rose 0.2% to 69,468.1, Taiwan's TAIEX gained 1.0% to 44,999.9, the Shanghai Composite advanced 1.2% to 4,073.9, and Hong Kong's Hang Seng Index climbed 1.6% to 23,026.7. In China, gains were led by Health care (+6.7%), Consumer Staples (+2.4%) and Information Technology (+1.7%) driven by Guangzhou Guanggang Gases, Thinkon Semiconductor and GRINM Semiconductor, all gaining 20%, while South Korea saw Electronic Technology (-2.6%), Industrial Services (-0.7%) and Finance (-0.3%) led the sectoral declines, with Bohae Brewery (-16.9%), In The F Co (-15.4%) and Youngwire Co (-13.7%) among the worst-performers.

European stocks closed slightly higher on Monday, supported by gains in the technology and energy sectors. The Euro STOXX 50 rose 0.2% to 6,232, while the STOXX Europe 600 remained flat at 636, near its record high. AI-related stocks rebounded after last week's selloff, with ASML climbing 2.3% and Prosus advancing 2.6% as investors reassessed AI valuations. Energy stocks also recovered following US-Iran strikes over the weekend. Meanwhile, banks lagged as sovereign yields rebounded, with investors awaiting signals from the ECB on the potential for another rate hike this year.

Wall Street closed sharply higher on Monday, with the S&P 500 rising 1.2%, the Nasdaq CI surging 2.1%, and the Dow Jones gaining 307 points to a fresh record high as investors reassessed the AI trade following the recent selloff. Sentiment was further supported by easing US-Iran tensions. Communication services, consumer discretionary and technology stocks led gains, with Alphabet (+5%), Nvidia (+1.3%), Amazon (+3.2%), Meta (+2.2%), Tesla (+8.5%) and Comcast (+4.5%) advancing. Meanwhile, Apple (-0.7%), Microsoft (-1.2%), Walmart (-0.9%) and Verizon (-5.2%) declined.

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Key Indices	Last Close	Daily chg %	YTD chg %
FBM KLCI	1,665.9	(0.1)	(0.8)
Dow Jones	52,182.7	0.6	8.6
Nasdaq CI	25,820.1	2.1	11.1
S&P 500	7,440.4	1.2	8.7
SX5E	6,231.6	0.2	7.6
FTSE 100	10,484.2	(0.2)	5.6
Nikkei 225	69,468.1	0.2	38.0
Shanghai CI	4,073.9	1.2	2.6
HSI	23,026.7	1.6	(10.2)
STI	5,208.8	0.3	12.1

Market Activities	Last Close	% Chg
Vol traded (m shares)	2,711.9	(7.7)
Value traded (RM m)	2,138.0	(5.5)
Gainers	554	
Losers	480	
Unchanged	558	

Top 5 Volume	Last Close	Daily chg %	Vol (m)
ZETRIX	0.760	(1.3)	136.1
SRHB	0.110	(40.5)	74.4
DNEX	0.420	0.0	68.2
ASTRO	0.065	8.3	58.9
RT	0.160	(11.1)	46.1

Top 5 Turnover	Last Close	Daily chg %	Val (RM m)
PMAH	7.780	1.0	106.7
ZETRIX	0.760	(1.3)	101.9
CIMB	7.450	0.5	60.6
PBK	4.790	(0.8)	66.7
IHH	8.400	(1.6)	66.7

Currencies	Last Close	Daily chg %
USD/MYR	4.071	0.4
USD/JPY	161.940	0.0
EUR/USD	1.142	0.0
USD/CNY	6.796	0.1
US Dollar Index	101.105	(0.2)

Commodities	Last Close	% Chg
Brent (USD/barrel)	73.2	1.6
Gold (USD/troy oz)	4,012.1	(0.1)
CPO (MYR/metric t)	4,509.0	(0.3)
Bitcoin (USD/BTC)	60,302.8	0.1

Source: Bloomberg



Macro News

US: 10-Year Yield Holds Near 2-Month Low

The yield on the 10-year US Treasury note was below 4.38% on Monday, the least since early May as lower energy prices dampened inflationary risks and the likelihood of a hawkish response by the Federal Reserve. Wholesale crude oil and fuel prices maintained the sharp decline from the end of June amid evidence that tanker flows through the Strait of Hormuz are being restored. The improving supply for key energy commodities countered the price pressures that drove a portion of the FOMC to project one or more rate hikes this year following their meeting this month. Core inflation gauges had already reflected rising underlying inflation above the 3% level, while jobs data continued to suggest robust labor market conditions. (*U.S. Department of Treasury*)

US: Oil Eases Ahead of US-Iran Talks in Doha

Crude oil slipped toward \$70 per barrel on Tuesday, giving back some of the previous session's gains as investors turned their focus to the resumption of US-Iran peace talks in Doha, while mixed signals from both sides continued to cloud the outlook. Iran's Deputy Foreign Minister Kazem Gharibabadi maintained that Tehran intends to continue overseeing traffic through the Strait of Hormuz even if Oman opts not to participate. Under the current interim agreement, Iran will not impose transit fees for 60 days, though it leaves open the possibility of introducing charges afterward, a proposal opposed by the US, Europe, and Gulf Arab states. (*U.S. Department of Treasury*)

US: Copper declines as Fed stance and strong dollar weigh on metals

Copper fell as the Federal Reserve's hawkish stance and a rising US dollar continued to weigh on sentiment toward industrial metals. Three-month futures dropped toward U\$13,300 a tonne in London, following two weekly declines. Fed policymakers have signalled growing support for interest-rate hikes in the coming months to combat sticky US inflation. That stance tends to aid the US currency, posing a headwind for raw materials. Fed Bank of Richmond President Tom Barkin warned on Sunday inflation was too high, although he did see tentative signs that price pressures may moderate soon. (*Bloomberg*)

US: Fed's Barkin warns of high inflation, but sees signs of relief

Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond president Tom Barkin warned that inflation is too high, though he sees tentative signs that price pressures may moderate soon. "Those numbers are too high," Barkin said on Sunday in an interview with *Bloomberg* on the sidelines of the Aspen Ideas Festival in Aspen, Colorado. A report released Thursday showed the personal consumption expenditures index — the Fed's preferred metric — rose 4.1% in the year through May, the most since April 2023. While the war in Iran drove up the price of oil and other goods, the increase in price pressures has been more widespread. (*Bloomberg*)

UK: Prime minister in waiting to lay out economic agenda

The frontrunner to become Britain's next prime minister, Andy Burnham, plans to lay out his economic agenda on Monday, in his first major policy announcement since Keir Starmer resigned as premier last week. Burnham is currently the only candidate to replace Starmer. If he faces no challengers, the former mayor of Greater Manchester could be prime minister as early as mid-July. During his campaign to become an MP this month, Burnham remained vague about his economic agenda, particularly on whether he would shift the ruling Labour party to the left. His much-anticipated speech, expected to be delivered at a museum in his Manchester stronghold, is set to detail his economic policy and demonstrate he is ready to lead the government after a decade away from Westminster. (*Reuters*)

UK: Brexit makes inflation spirals more likely — Bank of England economist

Britain's efforts to control inflation are being made harder by the country's exit from the European Union, the Bank of England's chief economist warned. Huw Pill said Monday that structural changes to the economy since Brexit have made the UK more prone to "self-sustaining momentum" in price pressures. A decade on from the 2016 EU referendum, a consensus among economists is forming that Brexit has resulted in some permanent damage to the UK economy by weakening ties with the bloc. Polling also suggests that voters are dissatisfied with how Britain's exit has gone and the Labour government is seeking to move closer to the EU. (*Bloomberg*)

CN: Central bank's new overnight rate said below forecasts in hint at easing

China's central bank set the interest rate on its new overnight liquidity tool at a level that was below expectations, according to people familiar with the matter, in what some economists see as a de facto rate cut that could push down market borrowing costs. The People's Bank of China (PBOC) said it conducted 300 billion yuan (US\$44 billion or RM179.52 billion) of overnight reverse repurchase agreements in open market operations on Monday, according to a statement that didn't disclose the rate of interest it charged on its new instrument. The central bank uses the operation to funnel short-term funds to the market to influence borrowing costs, and it accepts eligible bonds as collateral. (*Bloomberg*)



CN: Places 20 Japanese entities on export control list for dual-use items

China added 20 Japanese entities on Monday to its export control list for dual-use items, preventing Chinese firms from selling to them without prior approval, citing Tokyo's ambitions for "remilitarisation". The action, Beijing's latest in a series of export curbs targeted at Tokyo, was aimed at limiting Japan's "new type of militarism" as well as its nuclear ambitions, the Chinese Commerce Ministry said in a statement. Japan's Defence Ministry did not immediately respond to a request for comments. Ties between China and Japan have been strained since late last year after sensitive Taiwan-related remarks by Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi and Tokyo's decision to increase defence spending, prompting Beijing to begin imposing export controls on dual-use items in January. *(Reuters)*

CN: Transitioning from large consumer market to strong consumer economy

In December, the annual Central Economic Work Conference identified boosting consumption and expanding domestic demand across the board as a key priority for economic policy. The task is not merely a short-term response to economic challenges. It also reflects a broader strategic goal: transforming China from one of the world's largest consumer markets into a truly strong consumer economy. Achieving that goal will require not only policy support, but also a gradual shift in consumer behaviour — from cautious spending toward more confident and self-assured consumption. China is already one of the world's largest consumer markets. *(China Daily)*

JP: Retail sales rise a third month on wage gains, subsidies

Japan's retail sales rose in May for a third month, powered by strong wage gains and government subsidies to ease the cost of living. Sales increased 1.9% after an upwardly revised gain in April, the economy ministry reported on Monday. The figure exceeded all estimates in a *Bloomberg* survey of economists. From a year earlier, sales rose 5.3%, compared with the consensus forecast of a 3% gain. The figures are not adjusted for inflation. The broad advance was led by sales of vehicles, pharmaceuticals and cosmetics. Sales at department stores also climbed strongly from a year earlier, likely helped by robust tourist spending. *(Bloomberg)*

MY: Miti, Mida approve RM774.4bn in manufacturing investments between 2020 and 2025

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (Miti), together with its agency, the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (Mida), approved 5,899 manufacturing investment projects worth RM774.4 billion between 2020 and 2025, with the potential to create 502,493 new jobs. The ministry said that, of the total, 5,087 projects (86.2%), representing investments worth RM587.4 billion, have been realised. "These projects have also created 416,914 jobs, with nearly 40% of them in management, professional, technical, supervisory and skilled (MTS) positions," stated MITI on the Parliament website today. *(Bernama)*

MY: 32,800 completed homes worth RM16.37bn unsold as at 1Q; nearly half priced below RM300,000

Some 32,800 completed homes worth RM16.37 billion remained unsold in the first quarter of 2026 (1Q2026), with nearly half priced below RM300,000, said Deputy Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Aiman Athirah Sabu, citing National Property Information Centre data. She told the Dewan Rakyat on Monday that 15,400 units, or 46.9%, were homes priced at RM300,000 and below, with the remaining 53.1% consisting of homes priced above RM300,000. She said these figures represent a mismatch between housing supply and demand across various segments of the property market. *(The Edge)*

MY: Producer-price surge may hit consumers, economists warn as factory inflation hits four-year high

A surge in inflation for businesses risks hitting consumers too, economists warned, as factory-gate prices increased at their fastest pace in four years. The producer price index, which tracks costs for business and industries to manufacture consumer goods, is likely to remain on an uptrend beyond the current spike, Nanthakumar Loganathan, who teaches economics at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, told *The Edge*. That could prompt higher selling prices for the average consumers at the end of the value chain if margins shrank too much, he said. The index climbed 7.8% in May when compared to the same month in 2025, data out on Monday showed. The reading was the highest since June 2022 and was also sharply higher than April's 5.4% year-on-year increase. *(The Edge)*

MY: May producer inflation speeds up to fastest in four years

Malaysia's factory-gate prices accelerated in May and rose at their fastest pace in four years mainly driven by commodities amid mounting pressures from West Asia conflicts. The producer price index, which tracks inflation at the wholesale level before it reaches the consumers, climbed 7.8% year-on-year in May, according to official data released on Monday. The reading was the highest since June 2022 and was also sharply higher than April's 5.4% increase. Data out earlier showed consumer prices — the preferred gauge of inflation for the government and the central bank — accelerated to the fastest in nearly two years as the increase in prices of food sped up. *(The Edge)*

MY: Global energy market expected to start stabilising in 3Q — economy minister

The Malaysian government expects global energy markets to start stabilising in the third quarter this year but remains subject to geopolitical developments, according to Economy Minister Akmal Nasrullah Mohd Nasir. Benchmark Brent crude oil has moderated to pre-West Asia conflict level, but risks have yet to fully subside, Akmal Nasrullah said in his briefing to MPs on the global supply crisis. "Based on international developments, the energy market is expected to begin stabilising gradually from the third quarter of 2026," the minister said in Dewan Rakyat on Monday. "This remains subject to geopolitical stability and the resumption of smooth trade routes. Uncertainty in energy prices and supply is expected to continue influencing the market for another one to two years. *(The Edge)*



MY: PM launches Malaysia Digital 2030 action plan, a national agenda towards an AI nation

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim on Monday launched Malaysia Digital 2030 (MD2030), a national action plan for 2026-2030 that marks a major shift in the country's digital strategy from being a technology consumer to a producer of home-grown innovation. The launch was attended by Digital Minister Gobind Singh Deo, Communications Minister Datuk Fahmi Fadzil and Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Shamsul Azri Abu Bakar. In a statement, the Digital Ministry said the action plan sets ambitious national targets by 2030, including raising the digital economy's contribution to gross domestic product (GDP) to 30%, creating 500,000 high-value digital jobs, generating RM4.5 billion in public sector savings through digitalisation, and delivering 95% of government services fully online from end to end. (*The Edge*)

Corporate News

JTGROUP: Bags RM86m contract for high-voltage transmission project in Selangor

Jati Tinggi Group Bhd has won a RM86 million contract to provide engineering services involving a high-voltage transmission project at the Klang Valley Technology Park in Kapar, Selangor. The infrastructure utilities engineering solutions provider said the contract was awarded to its wholly owned subsidiary Jati Tinggi Holding Sdn Bhd by a client whose identity was not disclosed. Jati Tinggi, however, noted that the client is primarily involved in computer consultancy, data processing, provision of infrastructure for hosting, data processing services and related activities. The contract covers the design and construction of a 275-kilovolt overhead transmission line, along with related substation systems and infrastructure works linked to a data centre development, said Jati Tinggi in a filing on Bursa Malaysia. (*The Edge*)

BPROP: Berjaya Property eyes stake in Perlis Maritime Corridor project via RM58m share subscription

Berjaya Property Bhd seeks to participate in the Perlis Maritime Corridor (PMC) project by subscribing to 29% equity interest in Manjaran Sdn Bhd for RM58 million. The diversified group said it has signed a conditional agreement for the proposed subscription of 2.32 million new shares in Manjaran, whose 80%-owned subsidiary Mutiara Perlis Sdn Bhd is involved in the ongoing development of the PMC. The PMC is a master development of an integrated logistics hub in Perlis comprising the Perlis Inland Port, Perlis Sanglang Port and Perlis Power Hub. In a filing with Bursa Malaysia on Monday, Berjaya Property said the subscription consideration will be satisfied with RM57.9 million via an issuance of 206.78 million new ordinary shares in Berjaya Property at 28 sen each and RM100,000 in cash which will be funded via the internal funds of Berjaya Property and its subsidiaries. (*The Edge*)

PMW: Secures RM11.8m supply contract

PMW International Bhd has secured a contract worth RM11.84 million to supply prestressed spun concrete poles for a fibre optics hub project in Malaysia. The contract is expected to run until Oct 31, the company said in an exchange filing. PMW International said it has a long relationship with client Global Technological Support Sdn Bhd and the contract boosts the company's participation in one of Malaysia's key digital infrastructure initiatives. "As Malaysia progresses in broadband expansion and digital connectivity, we are pleased to contribute through the supply of infrastructure products that support fibre network deployment and last-mile connectivity initiatives," said PMW International chief executive officer Lee Hon Hwa. (*The Edge*)

HI: Mobility notches record 1Q net profit as acquisitions bolster earnings, pays one sen dividend

Bus operator HI Mobility Bhd posted a record first-quarter net profit, supported by contributions from its newly acquired commercial vehicle manufacturing and distribution businesses, while revenue rose 8.4% to a record RM111.54 million. Net profit for the quarter ended April 30, 2026 increased 13.5% to RM16.31 million from RM14.37 million a year earlier, as revenue climbed from RM102.93 million. The higher revenue was driven by continued demand for the group's scheduled bus services and increased vehicle sales from its distribution segment. (*The Edge*)

KMLOONG: 31.6% rise in 1Q net profit on strong contributions from milling operations

Oil palm planter Kim Loong Resources Bhd's first quarter net profit increased 31.63% to RM55.18 million from RM41.92 million a year ago, driven by stronger processing margins from its milling operations. Revenue for the quarter ended April 30, 2026 (1QFY2027) increased by 9.22% to RM449.66 million from RM411.72 million a year before. The milling operations contributed 88.6% of total revenue while the plantation segment contributed 11.4% to total revenue. Milling operations reported higher revenue during the quarter, at RM441.5 million, driven by a 19% rise in crude palm oil (CPO) sales volume, despite a 6% decline in average CPO selling price, according to its bourse filing on Monday. (*The Edge*)

CRESNDO: Continued data centre land sale lifts Crescendo's 1Q profit to RM135m

Crescendo Corporation Bhd's net profit for the first quarter ended April 30, 2026 (1QFY2027) soared to RM135.74 million, or 16.07 sen per share, boosted by its data centre-linked land sales in Bandar Cemerlang Industrial Park (BCIP), Johor. This represents a big leap from the RM5.2 million net profit notched a year ago, according to the Johor-based property developer's bourse filing. Quarterly revenue jumped five times to RM317.87 million from RM65.06 million in 1QFY2026. Notably, its property development and construction operations recorded revenue of RM290.17 million and operating profit of RM174.62 million. (*The Edge*)



CYPARK: Cypark posts fourth straight quarterly loss weighed by finance, depreciation costs

Cypark Resources Bhd remained in the red for the fourth consecutive quarter, as higher finance costs, administrative expenses and depreciation charges outweighed stronger revenue. The renewable energy group posted a net loss of RM16.83 million for the fourth quarter ended April 30, 2026 (4QFY2026), compared to a net profit of RM993,000 a year earlier, despite revenue surging 151.8% to RM48.11 million from RM19.11 million, according to an exchange filing on Monday. Finance costs rose 46.4% to RM15.59 million from RM10.65 million, while administrative expenses increased to RM8 million from RM6.17 million. Depreciation and amortisation charges also climbed to RM25.1 million from RM22.05 million. *(The Edge)*

APOLLO: Food posts record revenue in FY2026, but net profit lower on rising cost

Apollo Food Holdings Bhd's posted record revenue for the financial year ended April 30, 2026 (FY2026) but saw earnings weighted down by higher operating costs. FY2026 revenue rose 4.3% to RM311.21 million — its highest full year-revenue since listing — from RM298.42 million a year earlier, driven by stronger sales following changes to its route-to-market transformation strategy, according to a statement on Monday. However, net profit fell 14.2% to RM34.49 million from RM40.18 million, dragged by higher personnel, advertising and transportation costs. For the fourth quarter ended April 30, 2026 (4QFY2026), net profit grew 4.5% year-on-year to RM9.88 million from RM9.46 million, while revenue climbed 11% to RM81.3 million from RM73.27 million. *(The Edge)*

SUPERLN: Higher margin drives Superlon's 4Q profit growth; declares interim dividend for FY2027

Superlon Holdings Bhd posted a 48.8% jump in net profit to RM3.25 million, or 2.05 sen per share, for the fourth financial quarter ended April 30, 2026 (4QFY2026). Quarterly revenue, however, was marginally lower at RM31.69 million compared with RM33.54 million a year ago. Superlon also declared an interim single-tier dividend of one sen per share for the financial year ending April 30, 2026 (FY2027), payable on Aug 21. The cash-rich thermal insulation solution maker paid a total dividend of three sen for FY2026. The company attributed the earnings expansion to lower material costs and margin enhancement initiatives. *(The Edge)*

HIBISCS: Starts compressor project to sustain production at Brunei field

Hibiscus Petroleum Bhd has started operating a low-pressure compressor project aimed at sustaining production from the Block B Maharajalela Jamalulalam field in Brunei. The project, which began operations in April, has delivered production gains that are expected to contribute positively to the oil and gas producer's financial and operational performance for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 2026, Hibiscus said in a statement on Monday. The company did not disclose the project cost or quantify the increase in production. The compressor was installed at Hibiscus' onshore processing plant in Lumut, Brunei Darussalam, under its Block B operations. *(The Edge)*

IAB: Enters deal to secure rights to market Australian firm's pipeline technologies in Malaysia

Insights Analytics Bhd has signed a memorandum of understanding with Pipeline Inspection and Assessment Pty Ltd (PIA) to be the exclusive distributor of the Australian company's pipeline inspection and condition assessment solutions in Malaysia. The MOU serves as a framework for the two companies to negotiate a definitive distribution agreement, which will set out the detailed terms of their commercial partnership, said Insights Analytics in a filing with Bursa Malaysia on Monday. The Sarawak-based water technology and intelligent asset management solutions company said PIA is based in New South Wales and develops technologies used to assess the condition of pipelines and detect water losses for utility operators and other industries that rely on pipeline networks. *(The Edge)*

AJI: Appoints Maybank IB as adviser for parent's RM603m privatisation bid

Ajinomoto (Malaysia) Bhd has appointed Maybank Investment Bank Bhd as principal adviser for the proposed privatisation by its Japanese parent, Ajinomoto Co Inc while RHB Investment Bank Bhd has been named as the independent adviser for minority shareholders. In a Bursa Malaysia filing on Monday, the seasoning and food products manufacturer said RHB Investment Bank will advise the board, excluding interested directors Daisaku Wadami, Taishi Akiyama and Akihiko Nozaki, as well as the company's disinterested shareholders on the proposed deal in accordance with the Rules on Take-overs, Mergers and Compulsory Acquisitions. *(The Edge)*

LGF: Lianson Fleet plans three OSV disposals as it targets younger fleet and growth in dry bulk business

Lianson Fleet Group Bhd plans to dispose of three ageing offshore support vessels (OSVs) this year and acquire two dry bulk vessels as part of its fleet optimisation strategy and push to grow its marine transportation business. Managing director Lim Chern Wooi told reporters at a briefing after the group's annual general meeting on Monday the three OSVs are aged between 17 and 19 years. "We hope to dispose of them while there is still value so that we can recycle the capital into better and younger assets," he said, adding that the group is still negotiating on pricing for the two dry bulk vessel acquisitions. The move follows the disposal of six vessels in the financial year ended Dec 31, 2025 (FY2025). *(The Edge)*



FAVCO: US subsidiary faces US\$25m lawsuit over crane incident

Favelle Favco Bhd said on Monday that its wholly owned US subsidiary is being sued for US\$25 million (RM101.78 million) in New York by an individual over a crane incident. The lawsuit against Favelle Favco Cranes Inc (FFC USA) was filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York on June 24, said Favelle Favco in a filing with Bursa Malaysia. The individual, Justin Santiago, is suing FFC USA for alleged injuries, harm and losses from the crane incident that occurred in July 2023. In the incident, an FFC USA-manufactured diesel-powered crane caught fire and partially collapsed during a construction operation in Manhattan, New York. According to news reports, nearby buildings were damaged but there were no life-threatening injuries. *(The Edge)*

AJIYA: To invest 98% of Tanco stake sale proceeds in quoted shares

Ajiya Bhd said on Monday that it intends to deploy 98% of the RM44.31 million it received from the sale of its stake in Tanco Holdings Bhd into quoted shares. In a Bursa Malaysia filing, the building materials manufacturer said the remainder 2% of the proceeds have been set aside for administrative expenses. Ajiya had earlier said that proceeds from the stake sale were earmarked for working capital requirements. But with Monday's announcement, the company is set to invest an estimated RM43.42 million in quoted shares, and use about RM890,000 for administrative purposes. The company said it targets to fully utilise the proceeds within six months. *(The Edge)*

OASIS: Sells alcohol trading unit for shariah compliance

Oasis Harvest Corporation Bhd is selling its entire equity interest in an alcohol trading unit, an ongoing transition towards becoming a shariah-compliant company. The stake in Oasis Harvest Distribution Sdn Bhd (OHDSB) is sold to Jonathan Chan Ye Earn, the founder, chief executive officer and director of law firm Jonathan Chan & Co, fetching RM2.45 million in cash. In 2024, OHDSB held a 70% equity interest in Verona Caritas Culinary Sdn Bhd, including its wholly owned, alcohol-trading subsidiary Verona Harvest Wines Sdn Bhd. This sale will be used to expand the group's operations in the food and beverage (F&B) industry, especially after Oasis's acquisition of Metta Food & Lifestyle Sdn Bhd in October for RM30.8 million. *(The Edge)*

RT: Slips below IPO price on ACE Market debut

RT Pastry Holdings Bhd ended its first trading day on the ACE Market below its initial public offering (IPO) price amid broader market weakness. The bakery chain operator's shares closed at 16 sen on Monday, two sen or 11.1% lower than the IPO price of 18 sen per share. At the closing price, the company's market capitalisation was RM54.2 million. The counter opened at 17.5 sen and was traded between 16 sen and 18 sen for the rest of the day, with more than 46 million shares changing hands. The muted debut came as investors reacted to news of renewed conflicts in the Middle East, though the US and Iran have agreed not to further escalate their weekend strikes. Strong interest in RT Pastry ahead of the listing also helped, with investors oversubscribing to the IPO by nearly 60 times. *(The Edge)*

REDTONE: Subscribes to RM13m Berjaya Corporation unit's medium-term notes

REDtone Digital Bhd has subscribed to RM13 million worth of medium-term notes (MTNs) issued by Berjaya Corporation Bhd's subsidiary, Berjaya IPS Equity Sdn Bhd. In a Bursa Malaysia filing on Monday, REDtone Digital said the subscription forms part of an MTN programme with an aggregate size of up to RM500 million and carries a fixed coupon rate of 7% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis. "The notes have an initial tenure of one year from the date of issuance, with an option to roll over up to 30 years, and are unrated, unsecured and not listed on any exchange. "The subscription provides REDtone with an opportunity to optimise the utilisation of its internal funds by investing in the MTN, which offers a higher rate of return of seven per cent per annum as compared to conventional deposit placements. *(The Edge)*

BPURI: Gets lenders' approval in principle for restructuring scheme

Bina Puri Holdings Bhd has received approval in principle from participating lenders for its proposed restructuring scheme (PRS), following mediation by the Corporate Debt Restructuring Committee (CDRC). In a filing on Monday, Bina Puri said the CDRC, a committee under the purview of Bank Negara Malaysia, had informed the company that participating lenders representing at least 75% in value had approved the terms and conditions of the PRS. It said the PRS is therefore binding on all participating lenders pursuant to Section 8.8 of the CDRC Code of Conduct. *(The Edge)*

RHBBANK: Fully redeems US\$500m senior unsecured notes

RHB Bank Bhd has fully redeemed its existing US\$500 million (RM2.04 billion) senior unsecured notes issued under its Euro Medium-Term Note (EMTN) Programme. In a Bursa Malaysia filing on Monday, the bank said the senior unsecured notes, which were issued on June 29, 2021, have been fully redeemed at their nominal value. Following the redemption, the notes will be delisted from the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Ltd and Labuan International Financial Exchange Inc. *(The Edge)*

HANDAL: Delays FY2025 annual report for fourth time, due July 17

Handal Energy Bhd, whose shares have been suspended from trading since May, has postponed the issuance of its latest annual report for a fourth time. According to a bourse filing on Monday, the oil and gas service provider now expects to issue its Annual Report 2025, together with its audited financial statements for the financial period ended Dec 31, 2025, by July 17. The new target is three weeks later than its previous deadline of June 26. Handal did not provide a reason for the latest delay. Handal initially missed the prescribed April 30 deadline, resulting in the suspension of its shares from trading on May 11. *(The Edge)*



HSSBAKERY: Expansion of in-house manufacturing set to strengthen HSS Holdings' profitability

BAKERY products company HSS Holdings Bhd, slated to list on the ACE Market on June 23, could see a strong catalyst from the setting up of a cookie forming-and-loading system, according to analysts. With an initial public offering (IPO) price of 18 sen per share, the Johor-based firm is expected to raise RM13.5 million from its listing exercise. Upon listing, it will have a market capitalisation of RM90 million. Its IPO comprises a public issue of 75 million new shares and an offer for sale of 52.5 million existing shares. The oversubscription rate for the public portion was 10.56 times. (*The Edge*)

Upcoming key economic data releases	Date
US ADP Nonfarm Employment Change (Jun)	July 1
US S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (Jun)	July 1
US ISM Manufacturing PMI (Jun)	July 1
US ISM Manufacturing Prices (Jun)	July 1
US Nonfarm Payrolls (Jun)	July 2
US Unemployment Rate (Jun)	July 2
US Average Hourly Earnings (MoM) (Jun)	July 2
US Initial Jobless Claims	July 2
<i>Source: Investing.com</i>	

Stock Selection Based on Dividend Yield

	Sector	Price (RM)	Dividend/Share (RM)	Dividend Yield (%)
Sentral REIT	REIT	0.71	0.07	9.15
MBM Resources	Consumer	4.79	0.42	8.85
CapitaLand Malaysia Trust	REIT	0.61	0.05	8.36
KIP REIT	REIT	0.84	0.07	8.10
Bermaz Auto	Consumer	1.02	0.08	8.04
YTL Hospital REIT	REIT	1.04	0.08	7.79
Ta Ann Holdings	Plantation	5.26	0.39	7.34
Paramount Corporation	Property	1.00	0.07	7.34
Sports Toto	Consumer	1.30	0.09	7.23
AI-Salam REIT	REIT	0.56	0.04	7.14
TIME dotCom	Telco	6.18	0.40	6.46
AI-Aqar Healthcare REIT	REIT	1.17	0.07	6.41
MAG Holdings	Consumer	1.26	0.08	6.35
Magnum	Consumer	1.26	0.08	6.35
UOA Development	Property	1.71	0.11	6.20

Source: Bloomberg

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Methodology: The list above includes stocks that have a high dividend yield, estimated to be greater than 4% per annum. These stocks also have a history of paying dividends consistently, having paid dividends for the past 3 years.



IPO Tracker

Company	Listing Sought	Issue Price (RM/Share)	No. Of Shares (m)		Closing Date	Listing Date
			Public Issue	Offer for Sale		
Eckem Holdings Berhad	ACE Market	0.12	125.0	62.5	19 June	3 July
RNG Tech Berhad	ACE Market	0.13	126.1	78.8	24 June	7 July
SRKK AI Berhad	ACE Market	0.32	64.0	13.0	25 June	9 July

Source: Bursa Malaysia

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