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Previous Day Highlights

The FBM KLCI rebounded on Friday session due to bargain hunting activities. The benchmark index was up 9.75 points to close at 1,543.11. Gainers were led by SIMEPLT, IOICORP, PBBANK. Market breadth was positive with 600 gainers against 338 losers. Total volume stood at 4.14bn shares valued at RM1.90bn.

Key regional indices were ended mixed as investors remain cautious on upcoming data from US labour market. The Nikkei 225 down 0.03% to end at 28,487.56 and SHCOMP dropped 0.18% to end at 3,579.54. The HSI gained 1.82% to end at 23,493.38 and STI up 0.66% to end at 3,205.26.

Wall Street ended in red territory on Friday as investors digested payroll data and potential impact on US Federal Reserve's policy. The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 0.01% to end at 36,231.66, S&P 500 lost 0.41% to end at 4,677.03 and Nasdaq Composite slumped 0.96% to end at 14,935.90.

Our Thoughts

Wall Street closed on a mixed note as tech heavy Nasdaq experienced another steep decline amid higher rates as the 10-year yield is trending closer to 1.8% which is a 52-week high. The DJI Average fell almost 5 points while the Nasdaq lost 145 points to end below the 15,000 mark. Back home, we expect the FBM KLCI to face with some selling pressure following a strong closing last Friday. Considering the heightened market volatility, we reckon regional markets to perform similarly which could impact the local bourse's performance. Therefore, we anticipate the index to possibly trend within the 1,535-1,545 range today with some downside bias. As for crude prices, Brent crude price remained elevated hovering close to the US\$82/barrel.



News For The Day

Grand Hoover clinches three projects worth RM373.83m

Grand Hoover's unit, Pembinaan ATT SB has clinched three construction contracts worth RM373.83m from Widad Builders SB. The company was appointed as the main contractor to undertake the following projects in Kelantan and Kedah. The projects included a subcontract for the highway development between Kota Bahru-Kuala Krai, Kelantan, package 3C - Keroh to Kuala Krai, with a contract value of RM188.80m. – *NST*

MSM Malaysia bags RM290m sugar supply contract with The Coca-Cola Company

MSM Malaysia's subsidiary, MSM Prai, has secured about RM290m worth of refined sugar supply contract with Coca-Cola for both domestic and international production. The refined sugar producer said the contract solidified the company's place as Malaysia's leading and preferred refined sugar producer in the Asia Pacific. – *NST*

Salcon, Berjaya Infrastructure to jointly undertake wastewater infrastructure projects

Salcon's subsidiary, Salcon Engineering, has partnered with Berjaya Infrastructure SB to undertake water and wastewater infrastructure projects. Both parties signed the memorandum of understanding (MoU) to jointly collaborate their resources to undertake selected infrastructure projects within and outside Malaysia with effect from the date of the MoU. – *NST*

Minetech partners local private company to import Samyang Food products

Engineering services company Minetech is teaming up with a local private company to import and trade processed food products from South Korean food manufacturer Samyang Food Co Ltd. Minetech said its wholly owned Diman KS Chin SB had inked a teaming agreement with Vitamin 2U SB for the trading business. – *The Edge Markets*

Sarawak Cable proposes RM125m debt restructuring plan

Sarawak Cable has proposed to settle its debts totalling RM124.59m owing to AmBank, Bank Muamalat and Hong Leong Islamic Bank by restructuring the payment/repayment terms under the existing facilities. – *The Edge Markets*



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