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Previous Day Highlights

The FBM KLCI ended marginally higher to 1,655.67 yesterday. Value traded was higher at RM2.02bn with 2.77bn unit of shares traded. Gainers outpaced losers with 462 advancers versus 369 decliners.

Asian stock markets rose with the Shanghai Composite Index gained 0.45%, Nikkei 225 advanced 0.95% while Hang Seng climbed 0.34%.

US markets ended higher on the positive progress of US-China trade talk. The Dow climbed 0.65%, S&P 500 Index rose 0.68% and Nasdaq Composite Index advanced 0.58%.



Our Thoughts

Crude oil price has been rather steady of late with some upward bias as tension within the Gulf may be a catalyst for further upside. The Brent Crude closed 0.52% higher yesterday at US\$64.16 following the tit for tat situations between Iran and the US. With no apparent resolution in the immediate term, we reckon any escalations of the ongoing tension will only prop crude prices higher. May be time to look at some Oil & Gas stocks namely Hibiscus, Serba Dinamik, Bumi Armada, Yinson and Sapura Energy.



News For The Day

GDB buys 70% stake in piling firm

Construction services group GDB Holdings Bhd is acquiring a 70% equity interest in Eco Geotechnics Sdn Bhd for RM5.96m. Eco Geotechnics is a construction contractor specialising in major geotechnical and foundation engineering works. It has delivered more than RM240m worth of piling and foundation works. The acquisition will be financed through internally generated funds and is estimated to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2019. – *The Edge*

MHB bags Kasawari Gas deal from Petronas

Malaysia Marine and Heavy Engineering Holdings Bhd has been awarded a contract for the Kasawari Gas Development project. Its wholly owned subsidiary Malaysia Marine and Heavy Engineering Sdn Bhd had received the contract from Petronas Carigali Sdn Bhd to undertake the engineering, procurement, construction, installation and commissioning works for the Kasawari project. – *The Sun*

ARB bags two water contracts worth RM800m

ARB Bhd has entered into two memorandum of agreements for the provision of water supply-related technology with a combined value of around RM800m. The MoAs were entered with Hangzhou Mayam IoT Tech Co Ltd and Shuifa IoT Tech Co Ltd for the project value of RM200m and RM600m, respectively. – *The Edge*

Mah Sing buys Kepong land

Mah Sing Group Bhd has acquired a 5.47-acre tract of land in Taman Metropolitan, Kepong for the development of the M Luna serviced apartments project. The piece of land, which was purchased for about RM94.8m, will eventually see the development of the serviced apartments with a RM705m gross development value. - *The Star*

Destini bags three-year contract

It has secured a three-year contract to service Petrofac (Malaysia-PM304) Ltd's wells in Malaysia. The contract, awarded to its wholly-owned subsidiary Destini Oil Services Sdn Bhd, is for provision of tubular handling equipment and running services for Petrofac. The contract's total value is not fixed and will depend on the amount of work orders to be issued by Petrofac to DOS throughout the contract duration which commenced on July 1, 2019. - *The Edge*



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