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Previous Day Highlights

The FBM KLCI continued to trend lower with a loss of 1.79 points or 0.11% to 1,672.7 yesterday. However, market breath was slightly positive with 367 gainers versus 352 losers and 444 remained unchanged.

Asian markets closed higher with the Shanghai Composite Index gained 0.69%, Nikkei 225 Index increased 1.19% and Hang Seng Index rose 1.42%.

U.S. stock markets were mixed as the G20 summit starts. The Dow dropped fell marginally 0.04%, the S&P 500 Index gain 0.38% while the Nasdaq Composite Index rebounded 0.73%.



News For The Day

Gamuda board says yes to MoF's RM6.2b highway takeover

Gamuda Bhd says its board of directors is in favour of accepting the federal government's offer to take over all four toll concessionaires linked to the group for a combined RM6.2 billion at the enterprise value. - *The Edge Financial Daily*

EcoWorld sees strong rebound in sales with NHOC

Eco World Development Group Bhd whose net profit for its first half ended April 30, 2019 rose 25% year-on-year, said it saw a strong rebound in sales following the official National Home Ownership Campaign (NHOC) on 1 March. - *The Edge Financial Daily*

Sapura Energy narrows Q1 loss

Sapura Energy Bhd narrowed its loss in the first quarter ended April 30 as revenue almost doubled on higher contribution from its engineering and construction and drilling segments. The oil & gas services provider also announce yesterday it had 10 new contracts, with a cumulative value of approximately RM1 billion - *StarBiz*

Malaysia reports lower FDI net inflows

Inflows fell to RM32.6 bn in 2018 on lower investments in mining and quarrying sector. Malaysia posted a decline of 19.3% in net inflows of foreign direct investment (FDI) last year on lower investments in the mining and quarrying sector - *StarBiz*

Local export-oriented firms turn more optimistic

Due to trade diversion gains arising from US-China dispute, RAM survey shows. The latest RAM Business Confidence Index (BCI) for the third and the fourth quarter of 2019 indicates a rebound in the sentiment of export oriented corporates in Malaysia on the back of trade diversion arising from the US-China dispute. - *The SunBiz*



Our Thoughts

All eyes will be on the impending discussion between Trump and Xi during the G20 Summit today as many will be hoping for the end of the prevailing trade war. Meanwhile with the Federal Reserve less dovish stance, we would expect investors to remain sidelined until a clearer picture emerges. Expect the FBM KLCI to trend at a narrow range of between 1,670-1,680.



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