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### MALAYSIA

#### ECONOMY

- Malaysia's exports in February rose faster than forecasted due to stronger palm oil demand and a jump in tech shipments to the United States. Exports in February grew 6.7% from a year earlier, Government data showed on Wednesday (April 6), more than double economists' estimates of 3.1% growth. January exports had declined 2.8%, falling for the first time since May 2015, hit by the effects of weak global oil prices. | *The Straits Times*, 13 May 2016, [LINK](#) |

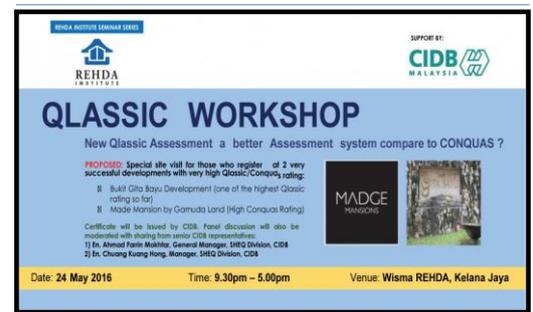
#### CONSTRUCTION, HOUSING AND POLICY

- The Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) said the government will be mandating that all public projects worth RM50 million and above to adopt the Malaysian Carbon Reduction and Environmental Sustainability Tool (MyCREST), in a bid to reduce carbon emissions in the construction industry. MyCREST, a sustainability rating tool introduced by the Ministry of Works through the Public Works Department (JKR) and CIDB, aims to quantify and lower the carbon footprint of construction projects, by guiding the design, construction and operation of buildings in a low-carbon and sustainable manner. | *The Edge*, 12 May 2016, [LINK](#) |
- Small housing developers have to step up in implementing safer environmental design and consider its benefits to the city's safety standards, says Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj) president Mohd Sayuthi Bakar. The guidelines drafted in April 2011 and put into practice in 2012 called for improved town design such as having more sidewalks and streetlights, CCTVs in strata properties, and building gated and guarded communities. | *The Star*, 13 May 2016, [LINK](#) |
- Sri Petaling's property market is expected to continue to enjoy growth on rising demand from developers looking for land beyond the city centre. For instance, typical 1-storey homes with land area of 1,733 sq ft and built-up of 976 sq ft were going for an average of RM500,000 last year, up from RM390,000 in 2010, while average prices of 2-storey units with a land area of 1,755 sq ft and built-up of 1,360 sq ft rose to RM850,000 from RM500,000. Meanwhile, 2.5-storey terraced homes that cost RM800,000 in 2010 are going for RM1.1 million today, while average prices of 2-storey detached and semi-detached houses are RM3.5 million and RM2.5 million respectively, up from RM2.5 million and RM1.1 million five years ago.. | *The Edge*, 14 May 2016, [LINK](#) |

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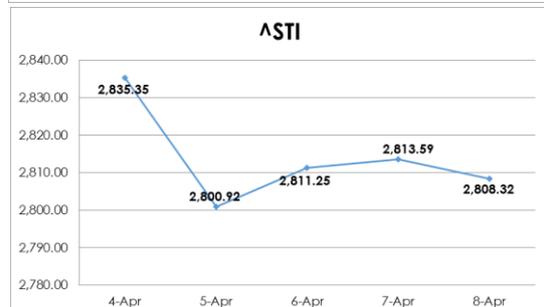
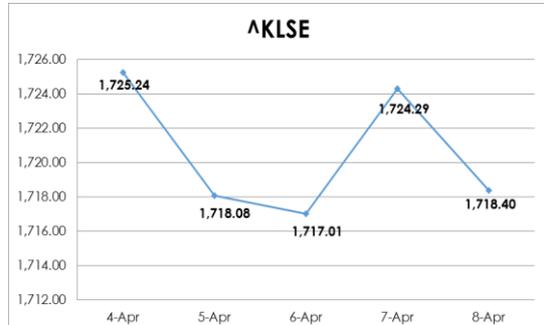
**PROPOSED** Special site visit for those who register at 2 very successful developments with very High Classic/Conquas rating:  
 ■ Bukit Gita Bayu Development (one of the Highest Classic rating so far)  
 ■ Madge Mansion by Gamuda Land (High Conquas Rating)

Certificate will be issued by CIDB. Panel discussion will also be moderated with sharing from senior CIDB representatives:  
 1) En. Ahmad Farid Mokhtar, General Manager, HRG Division, CIDB  
 2) En. Cheong Kwang Hong, Manager, HRG Division, CIDB

Date: 24 May 2016 Time: 9.30pm – 5.00pm Venue: Wisma REHDA, Kelana Jaya

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#### STOCK MARKET INDICES



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## PROPERTY MARKET ACTIVITIES

- Hua Yang Bhd has launched the second phase of its residential development Ridgewood in Bercham, Perak, which comprises 3-storey cluster semi-detached homes, three-storey linked bungalows and three-storey bungalows. This phase has a gross development value (GDV) of RM51.5 million with prices for the homes starting from RM665,000 and a discount of 5% for Bumiputera lots. The development is also near food courts, banks, restaurants, schools, a police station and a wet market. |*The Edge*, 10 May 2016, [LINK](#) |
- Japanese property developer Tokyu Land and property investment company NTT Urban Development Corp will launch the Branz Tower Wellith Shinsaibashi South project in Malaysia, said JLL Property Services (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd. It will comprise 202 units of condominiums with one to three bedrooms. Priced between RM1.5 mil to RM1.9 mil, the units will have built-ups of 431 sq. ft. to 1,364 sq. ft. Slated for completion in November next year, the project sits on a 15,679 sq. ft. freehold land and has a GDV of RM387 mil. |*The Edge*, 11 May 2016, [LINK](#) |
- Mah Sing Group has developed its latest iconic development, M City. M City is part of Mah Sing's Iconic Series which includes Icon Tun Razak, Icon Residence and Icon City. A freehold integrated development spanning 5 acres, M City has a GDV of RM1.6 bil. The towering masterpiece in modern architecture comprises three Towers (Tower 1, Tower 2 and Tower 3) with a total of 1,585 units, made up of boutique retail shops, SOHO units, serviced apartments and Sky Residences. |*The Star*, 13 May 2016, [LINK](#) |

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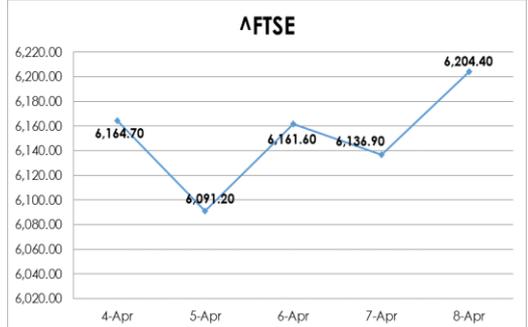
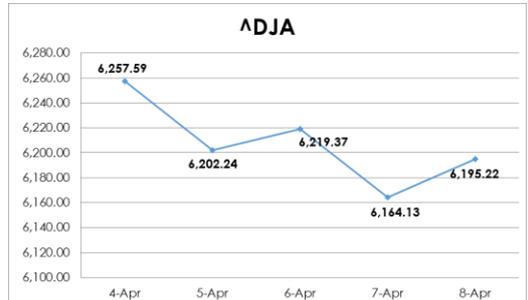
- **LONDON:** British Prime Minister David Cameron has announced plans to stop the flow of dirty money through the London property market, as he prepared to welcome world leaders and NGOs to an anti-corruption summit. The foreign firms that own more than 100,000 titles in Britain, many of them anonymous offshore companies, will have to reveal their true owners, as will any foreign firms buying new property or bidding for government contracts. The measures, intended to combat money laundering, were announced as Cameron seeks to build on public anger over the leaked Panama Papers to secure a new global commitment to tackle corruption. |*The Edge*, 12 May 2016, [LINK](#) |

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