

ECONOMY

Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) retained at 2.75%

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The 10-member Monetary Policy Committee kept the OPR unchanged at 2.75% for the second straight meeting, as widely expected by the market. The central bank said Malaysia's economy is doing better than expected, helped by strong local spending, steady exports and higher commodity output.

GOVERNMENT

Klang to Upgrade Parks for Community Well-Being

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Klang's ageing public parks, vital to community well-being and local pride, are set for a major upgrade. The Klang Royal City Council has launched a redesign initiative to replace outdated facilities, improve safety and create sustainable, inclusive green spaces for all ages.

Over 1,000 Government Land Applications Under Review for Approval in Melaka

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The Melaka State Government is currently processing 1,110 Government Land Applications submitted since early 2023, with more applications still under review, announced Chief Minister, Datuk Seri Ab Rauf Yusoh. He said the evaluation process is thorough, noting that one of the main requirements is that applicants must not have previously owned any land.

Ministry Committed to Boosting Homeownership

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The Housing and Local Government Ministry is committed to finding more inclusive and flexible solutions to help Malaysians own homes, in line with the Government's "shelter for all" vision, said Minister, Nga Kor Ming. He said various initiatives under the Affordable Housing Policy, which caps affordable home prices at RM300,000, subject to State policies, have helped raise Malaysia's homeownership rate to 76.5%.

Turning Abandoned Commercial Buildings into Affordable Housing Projects

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The Housing and Local Government Ministry is reviewing a plan to turn abandoned commercial buildings into affordable housing. Minister, Nga Kor Ming said a detailed study is underway to assess the legal, technical and financial aspects to ensure the project benefits the public without burdening Government funds.

PROPERTY

[KPKT's Clarification on Build-Then-Sell \(BTS\), Sell-Then-Build Models \(STB\)](#)

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The **Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (REHDA) Malaysia** has expressed its appreciation following Housing and Local Government (KPKT) Minister, Nga Kor Ming's clarification in Parliament that both the BTS and STB systems will continue. In a statement, REHDA said Nga's remarks reflect the Government's commitment to prioritising the rakyat's needs and considering the views of all industry stakeholders to ensure the property sector remains strong and sustainable.

[Residential Property Demand in Negeri Sembilan Continues to Increase Strongly](#)

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Demand for residential properties in Negeri Sembilan continues to rise steadily, supported by economic stability and strong consumer confidence. According to **Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (REHDA) Negeri Sembilan** branch chairman, Datuk Desmond Yap Poh Seng, the State is undergoing a rapid transformation from a transit area into a vibrant and competitive economic hub.

INFRASTRUCTURE

[Kuala Lumpur \(KL\)-Johor Electric Train Line Launching Soon](#)

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The Electric Train Service (ETS) linking Johor Baru and KL is expected to commence operations by mid-December 2025, according to Transport Minister, Anthony Loke. He said that technical preparations are currently being finalised to ensure the service can begin in December 2025, marking a significant enhancement to public transport connectivity between Johor and the Nation's capital.

[First Trial Phase of Rapid Transit System \(RTS\) Link Set to Begin in December 2025](#)

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The first phase of testing for the Johor Bahru–Singapore RTS Link is scheduled to begin in December 2025 without passenger participation, said Transport Minister, Anthony Loke. He added that the RTS trains are expected to arrive at the Wadi Hana Depot by mid-November 2025.

[The East Coast Rail Link \(ECRL\) Reaches 88% Progress with Completion of C1B Segment](#)

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The ECRL project has reached 88.08% overall completion with the finishing of the C1B Segment, marking the end of the first phase of civil works from Kelantan to the Gombak Integrated Terminal. The C1B Segment, which began in September 2022, covers the critical stretch between the Genting Tunnel exit and the Gombak Integrated Terminal.

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