

ECONOMY

**Energy Costs Drive Producer Price Rebound**

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Producer prices picked up in March 2026 after a year of decline, rising 1.1% from a year earlier as higher global energy costs pushed up upstream prices. Economists warn this could add to overall inflation. The producer price index (PPI) also rose 4.1% from February 2026, reversing the previous month's 3.4% fall, according to the Department of Statistics Malaysia.

**Food Supply Chain Shows Early Stress as Fuel Costs Rise**

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Economy Minister, Akmal Nasrullah noted that while overall food prices in Malaysia remain relatively controlled, early signs of cost pressures are emerging in the domestic supply chain. Between 20 and 22 April 2026, most selected food items saw price changes of under 10%, with slight increases in chicken, eggs, vegetables and some seafood, while beef and certain fish items fell slightly.

**Selangor Targets RM63 billion Green Economy Investment**

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Selangor is positioning the green economy as a key growth driver, with Menteri Besar, Datuk Amirudin Shari outlining plans to attract over RM63 billion in investments by 2035 under the Selangor Green Economy Agenda 2025–2035. The strategy includes renewable energy projects such as solar farms in Bestari Jaya, waste-to-energy plants in Jeram and a hydropower facility in Batang Kali to reduce reliance on fossil fuels.

**Malaysia's Inflation Eases to 1.4% in 2025**

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Malaysia's inflation eased to 1.4% in 2025 from 1.8% in 2024, supported by a stronger Ringgit, steady household spending and Government measures. Department of Statistics Malaysia said targeted RON95 subsidies also helped contain price increases, keeping inflation within the 1% to 2% range projected by Bank Negara Malaysia and the Ministry of Finance.

GOVERNMENT

**Malaysia Eyes RM158 billion in Green Investments Over Next Decade**

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Deputy Minister, Datuk Seri Abdul Rahman Mohamad said Malaysia aims to position itself as a South-East Asian hub for green investment, expecting US\$30 to US\$40 billion in inflows over the next decade. Speaking at the Renewable & Clean Energy (R.A.C.E) to Zero Summit 2026, he said the Country is committed to leading regional decarbonisation through investments in renewable energy, grid infrastructure, energy storage and industrial electrification.

## [Selangor Government Clarifies Status of Permatang Kumbang Land in Puchong](#)

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Selangor Menteri Besar, Datuk Amirudin Shari, clarified that a 168-acre site in Permatang Kumbang, Puchong, is not designated as a permanent forest reserve, countering claims circulating among the public. The clarification came after a meeting with local residents and community representatives, who had raised concerns following the spread of inaccurate information about the land's status.

## [Government Assures Minimal Impact from Electricity Cost Changes](#)

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The Government said it will limit the impact of fluctuating electricity costs on households and businesses despite uncertain global fuel prices. Economy Minister, Akmal Nasrullah Mohd Nasir added that most domestic consumers will be protected to help ease the cost-of-living burden.

## [Selangor Spent RM800 million on Pipe Replacement in 2025 to Cut Non-Revenue Water](#)

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Selangor invested RM800 million in 2025 to replace 285km of water pipes in an effort to reduce non-revenue water (NRW). According to State Infrastructure and Agriculture Committee chairman, Datuk Izham Hashim, this has helped lower NRW levels from about 34% in 2017 to 2018 to 27% in 2026.

### PROPERTY

## [REHDA Institute Kicks Off RIYI Mentorship Programme](#)

*The Edge – 24 April 2026*

The **Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association Malaysia (REHDA) Institute** will launch its first REHDA Institute Youth Initiative (RIYI) mentorship session on 25 April 2026 at Wisma REHDA, Kelana Jaya, as part of a 2026 programme linking students with industry professionals. Chairman, Dato' Jeffrey Ng Tiong Lip said the initiative goes beyond mentorship, serving as a strategic effort to address Malaysia's skills gap.

## [27,000 Rumah Idaman Units in the Pipeline in Selangor](#)

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More than 27,000 affordable homes are planned under Selangor's Rumah Idaman programme to improve home ownership access. This does not include another 14,000 units already being built across nine projects. State housing and culture committee chairman, Datuk Borhan Aman Shah said about 7,700 units had been completed as of March 2026.

## [Sabah Releases 16,000 hectares of Concession Land for Village Reserves](#)

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The Sabah Government has released over 16,000 hectares of land from the former Sabah Forest Industries Sdn. Bhd. concession to be gazetted as village reserves. Assistant Minister, Datuk Joniston Bangkuai told that the initiative is intended to provide long term benefits to rural communities in the area through secure land tenure and future development opportunities.

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