

ECONOMY

[B15 Implementation in Peninsular Malaysia Will Not Affect Palm Oil Exports](#)

The Edge – 25 May 2026

The implementation of B15 biodiesel in Peninsular Malaysia beginning 1 June 2026 is expected to strengthen the Country's energy security while supporting the local palm oil industry and advancing the national green agenda, without affecting palm oil export volumes.

[Online Job Market Records 587,801 Vacancies in 4Q 2025](#)

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A total of 587,801 job vacancies were advertised online in the fourth quarter of 2025, according to the Department of Statistics Malaysia through its publication Big Data Analytics: Job Market Insights — Online Job Vacancies in Malaysia, 4Q 2025. Chief Statistician, Dato' Sri Dr Mohd Uzir Mahidin said the number of companies advertising vacancies also increased to 80,287 (3Q 2025: 77,615).

[Malaysia's Producer Price Index \(PPI\) Records 5.4% Increase in April 2026](#)

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The Department of Statistics Malaysia reported that Malaysia's PPI increased by 5.4% in April 2026, up from 1.1% in the previous month, marking the highest rise since August 2022. The increase was primarily driven by higher prices for crude oil and petroleum-related products.

[Putrajaya to Unveil Measures Addressing Job Losses](#)

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The Government will implement immediate measures within the next two weeks to assist the 7,057 workers reported to have lost their jobs in April 2026. Prime Minister, Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim said the efforts focused on improving the situation and providing alternative employment opportunities.

[Anwar Says Fuel Supply Stable, Subsidised RON95 Remains at RM1.99 a Litre](#)

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Prime Minister, Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim has assured Malaysians that the Country's petrol and diesel supplies remain stable despite the ongoing conflict in West Asia and increasing pressure on global energy supply chains. He also reaffirmed the Government's commitment to maintaining the subsidised RON95 petrol price at RM1.99 per litre.

[Businesses Expect Softer Outlook in 2Q 2026](#)

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According to the Department of Statistics Malaysia, businesses are anticipating a softer outlook for the 2Q 2026, with the confidence indicator declining to negative 1.8% from 4% recorded in the previous quarter. The construction, wholesale and retail trade and industrial sectors are expected to experience less favourable business performance during the reviewed quarter.

GOVERNMENT

[Government Expands Diesel Subsidy Eligibility for Land Goods Transport Sector](#)

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The Government has agreed to improve the implementation mechanism for diesel subsidy distribution under the Subsidised Diesel Control System by expanding eligibility to include jeeps and pickup trucks for the land goods transport sector nationwide, effective 1 June 2026.

[Government to Expand Diesel Subsidy Access for Commodity Sector to Ease Cost Pressures](#)

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The National Energy Council has agreed to strengthen logistics support for the Agri-commodity sector, including allowing individual traders to register as companies to qualify for incentives under the Subsidised Diesel Control System, amid rising cost pressures linked to the ongoing Iran war.

[FT Department to Expedite Gazettement of Open Spaces, Flood Retention Ponds](#)

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The Federal Territories (FT) Department will expedite the gazettement of the remaining 30% of approved open spaces and flood retention ponds to ensure their preservation for the well-being of city residents. Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Federal Territories), Hannah Yeoh said the move followed a briefing by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission on investigations into the alienation of flood retention ponds to developers for residential and mixed development projects.

PROPERTY

[Datuk David Lim to Lead REHDA WPKL With Newly Elected 2026-2028 Committee](#)

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Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association of Malaysia (REHDA) WPKL has elected its new leadership team for the 2026 to 2028 term. According to a press statement, Datuk David Lim Boon Huat of Aikbee Timbers Sdn Bhd was elected as branch chairperson, while Tan Yee Seng of IGB Berhad was elected as deputy branch chairperson.

INFRASTRUCTURE

[Sarawak Ready to Support Trans-Borneo Railway Project](#)

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The Sarawak Government has expressed its readiness to support the proposed Trans-Borneo Railway project as part of efforts to strengthen transportation connectivity and enhance logistics efficiency in Sabah and Sarawak. Sarawak Premier, Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg said the State has already identified a preliminary alignment for the railway, which will be further refined and finalised in collaboration with the Federal Government.

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