

ECONOMY

Malaysia's Approved Investments Marginally Lower at RM92.8 Billion in Q1 2026

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Malaysia's approved investments edged down 0.2% year-on-year to RM92.8 billion in Q1 2026, but are expected to generate 50,226 jobs, a 46.7% increase, driven by stronger domestic investment and data centre-related projects. Domestic investments rose 13% to RM36.6 billion, while foreign investments accounted for RM56.2 billion, led by Japan (RM21.5 billion), followed by China, the US, Singapore and Thailand.

GOVERNMENT

KPKT Revived 1,576 Sick and Abandoned Housing Projects Since 2023

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The Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) has successfully revived 1,576 sick and abandoned private housing projects involving 188,525 housing units and a total estimated Gross Development Value (GDV) of RM148.21 billion between 2023 and May 2026 through its special task force.

Putrajaya to Scrap DBKL's Special One-Stop Centre Committee as Part of Reforms

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The Government plans to abolish Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL)'s Special One-Stop Centre (OSC) Committee following concerns that it could allow undue influence in development approval decisions, as part of broader governance and integrity reforms. Minister Hannah Yeoh said the move will enhance transparency, reduce bureaucracy, improve accountability and strengthen compliance with planning laws. Meanwhile, DBKL introduces an OSC portal to improve public access to development application information.

Over 1,000 Shopping Malls to Provide Recycling Facilities by End-2026

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The Government has agreed to make recycling facilities mandatory in more than 1,000 shopping malls nationwide by the end of 2026 as part of efforts to improve solid waste management and support Malaysia's transition towards a circular economy. Housing and Local Government Minister Nga Kor Ming said the requirement will be incorporated into mall licensing conditions, making recycling more accessible and convenient for consumers while advancing the national sustainability agenda.

[Penang to Seek DOE Report on Jelutong Landfill Rehabilitation, Reclamation Projects](#)

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The Penang State Government has yet to decide on the proposed Jelutong landfill rehabilitation and sea reclamation project, pending a comprehensive report and feedback from the Department of Environment (DOE) on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow said the matter will be tabled at the State Executive Council meeting.

[Housing Ministry Gathering Input to Amend Strata Management Act](#)

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The Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) is reviewing the Strata Management Act 2013 (Act 757) to ensure it remains relevant to the evolving property industry and growing demand for high-rise residential management. Deputy Minister Aiman Athirah Sabu said feedback gathered from stakeholders will help inform proposed amendments to the legislation.

PROPERTY

[Forest City SFZ Expected to Surpass RM2 Billion Investment Target](#)

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The Forest City Special Financial Zone (SFZ) is on track to exceed its RM2 billion investment target for 2026, driven by strong investor interest within the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone (JS-SEZ). To date, the SFZ has received 260 investor enquiries, with growing interest from financial services, artificial intelligence (AI), digital economy, fintech, family offices and green technology sectors, several of which are in advanced investment discussions.

[Property Developers Must Prioritise Ecology Over Land Clearing](#)

The Star – 9 June 2026

Housing and Local Government Minister Nga Kor Ming has urged developers to prioritise ecological preservation over land clearing, calling for more sustainable and environmentally responsible urban development. Speaking at the launch of Botanik Point in Ampang, he highlighted the project's preservation of 30% of its site as living forest as an example of balancing development with environmental stewardship.

INFRASTRUCTURE

[Work on Mutiara Line LRT Stations Progressing Steadily](#)

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Construction of the Penang Mutiara Line Light Rail Transit (LRT) is progressing steadily, with station designs awaiting final approval from the Penang Island City Council and key works already underway at the Penang International Airport (LTAPP) and Bandar Sri Pinang stations. The Bandar Sri Pinang Station set to become a major transit hub serving nearby residential, commercial and lifestyle areas.

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