

Dail<u>y Market Re</u>port



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Previous Day Highlights

The FBM KLCI closed marginally lower (0.03%) to 1,574.5 points yesterday. Volume traded was 2.3bn unit of shares valued at RM1.88bn. There were 413 losers, outnumbering 393 gainers.

Asian stock market ended on mixed notes yesterday. Shanghai Composite Index dropped a marginal 0.05% to 2,977.3. Hang Seng Index gained 0.69% while Nikkei 225 Index inched down 0.09%.

US stock market finished higher overnight. The Dow Jones Average Industrial Index inched up 0.09%, Nasdaq Composite Index gained 0.40% while S&P 500 Index rose 0.28%.



Our Thoughts

The local bourse seems to be rather well supported at current levels. Interestingly we also saw the return of foreign buying after a lengthy hiatus. Over the last 2 days, there were net foreign buying of almost RM300m which was unheard of during the past months. If such buying is sustained, we may see the FBM KLCI to retest the 1,600 anytime soon. Meanwhile, we reckon liquidity remains gravitated to the small/mid cap companies amid some rotational plays. Technology and Construction related companies remain as our preferred picks namely SKP Resources, PIE, D&O, Vertice, Vizione and KAB.



News For The Day

Widad Group to take over RM861.6m UiTM concession

Widad Group Bhd, whose parent company Widad Business Group has put in a bid to take over concessionaires under PLUS Expressways Bhd, is forking out RM95.89m to take up a 90% stake in Serendah Heights Sdn Bhd, which is the ultimate owner of a concession to develop and maintain the UiTM campus in Jasin, Melaka. – The Edge Markets

Perdana Petroleum on track for turnaround in FY20

Perdana Petroleum Bhd) is on track to return to the black in its coming financial year ending Dec 31, 2020, since its shareholders have given their nod for the group's proposed rights issue exercise, which forms a part of its debt restructuring plan. – *The Edge Markets*

KIP REIT NPI rises 36%, declares 1.37 sen distribution

KIP REIT's net property income jumped 36% to RM13.5m for the first quarter ended Sept 30, 2019, from RM9.94m in the previous year's corresponding quarter, helped by unrealised gain on an acquisition. KIP REIT had acquired AEON Mall Kinta City, which resulted in an unrealised fair value gain of RM13.2m that was partially offset by expenses incidental to the acquisition of RM3.5m. – The Edge Markets

<u>US-China trade war offers upside to Malaysian medical device makers</u>

The US-China trade war offers an opportunity for Malaysian medical device manufacturers to continue to position themselves as alternative producers and suppliers to China, Fitch Solutions Macro Research said in a report. – *Sunbiz*

Perak Corp unit defaults on RM25.7m loan

Perak Corp Bhd's indirect 51%-owned subsidiary Animation Theme Park Sdn Bhd (ATP) has defaulted on payment to Affin Hwang Investment Bank Bhd amounting to RM25.7m. ATP is the developer, owner and operator of Movie Animation Park Studios located in Ipoh, Perak. – Sunbiz



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