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Previous Day Highlights

The FBM KLCI continue to trend higher as it closed 3.6 points higher or 0.27% to 1,328.1 yesterday. There were 540 gainers versus 295 losers. Volume traded was 3.53bn unit of shares valued at RM2.27bn.

Asia stock markets finished on weaker note yesterday. Hang Seng Index fell 0.74% to 23,352.3, Shanghai Composite Index dropped 0.60% to 2,764.9 while Nikkei 225 Index lost over 800 points or 4.51% to 18,664.6.

Dow Jones Industrial Average surged over 1,300 points or 6.38% to 22,552.2. Nasdaq Composite Index rose 5.60% to 7,797.5 while S&P 500 Index gained 6.24% to 2,630.1.



News For The Day

Sunway Construction consortium bags RM497m Indian highway project

Sunway Construction Group Bhd's consortium Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd – RNS Infrastructure Ltd has been awarded a Rs864.51 crore (RM496.67m) contract from the National Highways Authority of India for a project in Tamil Nadu, India. – *Sunbiz*

VS Industry Q2 earnings fall on lower sales

VS Industry Bhd saw a 12.5% drop in its net earnings for its second quarter ended Jan 31, 2020 to RM33.2m, from RM37.94m in the previous corresponding quarter, mainly attributable to lower sales orders from key customers. – *Sunbiz*

Bursa Malaysia relaxes margin financing rules

Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd has announced the temporary relaxation of margin financing rules to ease the pressure of forced selling on the market, amid the virus-driven equity rout. – *The Edge Markets*

Eco World International's 1Q net profit slumps by 95.61%

Eco World International Bhd's net profit for the first quarter ended Jan 31 slumped by 95.61% in the absence of higher sales registered a year prior. Net profit for the quarter amounted to RM5.19m against RM118.29m in the same quarter last year. – *The Edge Markets*

AirAsia, AAX suspend flights, ground fleet on Covid-19 hit

In view of the widespread of the Covid-19 pandemic, AirAsia Group Bhd will be suspending all international and domestic flights with flight code AK operated by AirAsia Malaysia from March 28 to April 21, 2020. – *Sunbiz*



Our Thoughts

Despite a higher than expected unemployment rate and the surge in Covid-19 cases in the US, Wall Street gave us another solid performance predominantly due to the stimulus package yesterday. Nonetheless, we prefer to remain cautious as we reckon such uptrend is not sustainable. Regionally we anticipate a volatile regional performance today as traders may heighten their selling ahead of the weekend. On the local front, we envisage the FBM KLCI to be under a bit of selling pressure and may test the 1,320 support level.



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