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Weekly Technical Highlights – FBM KLCI

Weekly Charting – FBMKLCI



Source: TradingView

Key Support & Resistance Levels:	
Last Price	: 1,505.45
Resistance	: 1,520 (R1) 1,531 (R2)
Support	: 1,500 (S1) 1,489 (S2)
Weekly view	: Downward bias

FBM KLCI

- The FBM KLCI extended its losing streak for the fifth straight week, slipping 0.44% (-6.70 points) to 1,505.45 as cautious sentiment lingered amidst U.S. tariff uncertainty, geopolitical tensions, and global economic growth concerns. While the U.S. Federal Reserve held rates steady and reiterated its projection for two cuts this year, Chair Powell’s dovish tone offered only brief relief to U.S. markets. Global tech sentiment also remained soft, with Nvidia falling 4% post-GTC. On the domestic front, sector performance was mixed, with Energy (+4.6%) and Technology (+2.4%) leading gains, while Telecommunications and Media (-1.2%) posted the largest decline. Meanwhile, Indonesia’s sharp market sell-off last Tuesday, triggered by fiscal concerns and policy uncertainty, is viewed as country-specific with limited spillover to Malaysia.
- Looking ahead, investor sentiment is likely to remain cautious as tariff uncertainty remains elevated ahead of Trump’s planned reciprocal tariffs on April 2 and rising geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. On the global front, the market will closely watch U.S. PCE data (Friday), the Fed’s preferred inflation gauge, for clues on the inflation impact from recent trade policies. Domestically, BNM’s 2024 Annual Report (Monday) may provide clarity on domestic growth and inflation outlook. Meanwhile, attention will also be on the China Development Forum (March 23-24), with global CEOs meeting President Xi, which could offer insights into China’s policy direction and regional trade dynamics.
- Technically, the benchmark index remains below all key SMAs, including 5-, 13-, 50- and 200-week SMAs, indicating persistent weakness across both short- and long-term trends. The formation of “shooting star” candlestick pattern on its weekly chart reinforces bearish sentiment, while weekly stochastic and RSI indicators remain weak and continue to trend lower, suggesting that downward momentum is still prevailing. Furthermore, the formation of pin bar candlestick pattern on the daily chart signals a potential price reversal, but confirmation from subsequent price action is required to validate a turnaround.
- All in, we expect the market to consolidate with downward bias this week, influenced by key index components that have entered or are approaching overbought territory, including MAYBANK, RHBBANK, KLK, and PPB. Key support levels are at the psychological 1,500 and 1,489 (61.8% Fibonacci retracement), while resistance levels stand at 1,520 (200-week SMA) and 1,531.

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