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BURSA	19-May	Day chg	% chg
KLCI	1,727.3	-0.4	-0.03%
FTSE EMAS	12,803.7	-1.1	-0.01%
FTSE Smallcap	15,706.0	24.7	0.16%
FTSE MESDAQ	4,706.6	-13.5	-0.29%
KLSE Mkt Cap (RM'b)	2,072.7	0.1	0.00%

**BURSA DAILY TRADING PARTICIPATION**

Participation	Net (RM'm)	Value (%)
Local Institution	201.8	41.9%
Local Retail	54.7	29.1%
Foreign	-256.5	29.0%

INDICES	19-May	Day chg	% chg
Dow Jones	49,363.9	-322.2	-0.65%
S&P 500	7,353.6	-49.4	-0.67%
NASDAQ	25,870.7	-220.0	-0.84%
FTSE-100	10,330.6	6.8	0.07%
Nikkei 225	60,550.6	-265.4	-0.44%
SHCOMP	4,169.5	38.0	0.92%
HSI	25,797.9	122.7	0.48%
STI	5,072.3	75.6	1.51%
KOSPI	7,271.7	-244.4	-3.25%
TWSE	40,175.6	-716.3	-1.75%
JCI	6,370.7	-228.6	-3.46%
SET	1,516.7	-1.0	-0.07%

FOREX	19-May	18-May	% chg
USD/MYR:	3.9765	3.9745	0.05%
EUR/USD:	1.1622	1.1627	-0.04%
GBP/USD:	1.3407	1.3347	0.45%
USD/YEN:	159.09	158.93	0.10%
USD/SGD:	1.2809	1.2803	0.05%
USD/HKD:	7.8323	7.8310	0.02%

**KEY STATS**

KLCI Spot			
Vol (m shares):	3,355.4	3,529.3	-4.93%
Value (RMm):	3,241.0	2,840.9	14.08%
KLCI Future			
May-26	1,731.5	1,730.0	0.09%
June-26	1,729.0	1,729.0	0.00%
CPO Price (RM/tonne)	4,585.0	4,534.0	1.12%
Soybean (US\$/bu)	1,209.5	1,213.0	-0.29%
SoyOil (USc/lb)	73.6	73.8	-0.24%
Gold (US\$/troy oz)	4,511.2	4,558.0	-1.03%
Nymex crude oil (US\$/bbl)	107.8	108.7	-0.82%
Latex (RM/kg)	7.76	7.81	-0.64%
Tin (US\$/mt)	51,348.0	52,310.0	-1.84%

# Research Highlights

**NEWS HIGHLIGHTS**

- Leong Hup 1Q profit rises 13.0% on stronger poultry demand, with zero subsidies
- MNRB proposes to buy remaining 80.0% stake in Labuan Re for RM400.5m in related-party deal
- Malayan Flour Mills' 1Q net profit rises 28.0% on stronger JV contributions
- Fiamma's 1Q net profit declines 70.3% on absence of one-off gain despite higher revenue
- Vizione secures RM65.6m job for Sentul project, first major win since terminating RM1.2b contracts

**MACRO BITS**

- Economic outlook at risk of further deterioration, OECD says
- Transport costs drive inflation to a near two-year high as global pressures build (See *Economic Viewpoint: Malaysia Consumer Price Index*)
- Govt to continue targeted interventions amid global supply pressures — Akmal Nasrullah
- Govt to refine businesses' diesel subsidy quotas to reduce leakages
- Govt remains focused on digital initiatives to benefit citizens, region — deputy minister
- Malaysia's April vehicle sales up 17% to 72,113 units, says MAA
- China expected to keep benchmark lending rates steady amid flush liquidity
- Indonesia plans to tighten state control over commodity exports — Bloomberg
- U.S. Fed to avoid cutting rates this year; economists still say war-driven inflation is transitory: Reuters poll
- US pending home sales increase further; higher mortgage rates remain a constraint
- UK unemployment rises as Mideast war hits jobs market

**IDEAS OF THE DAY (SEE SEPARATE REPORTS FOR DETAILS)**

- Market Strategy: Getting In The Zone
- Results Note: PETGAS, SAMAIKEN, TSH, VELESTO, WASCO
- Company Update: KERJAYA

#	Top Volume			Top Gainer			Top Loser					
	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)
1	AXIATA	2.11	-4.1	20.30	99SMART	3.41	4.0	10.60	AXIATA	2.11	-4.1	20.30
2	YTL	2.15	1.4	19.30	GAMUDA	4.47	1.8	9.50	PETDAG	19.20	-1.7	2.55
3	PBBANK	4.79	-0.8	19.10	KLK	20.56	1.8	2.27	PCHEM	5.64	-1.6	6.53
4	SUNMED	1.86	0.5	15.00	YTLPOWR	4.11	1.5	11.80	HLBANK	21.70	-1.3	1.85
5	YTLPOWR	4.11	1.5	11.80	YTL	2.15	1.4	19.30	MRDIY	1.73	-1.1	6.65
6	MAYBANK	11.08	0.0	10.60	SIME	2.17	1.4	2.24	MAXIS	3.58	-1.1	2.29
7	99SMART	3.41	4.0	10.60	AMBANK	6.47	0.6	2.77	PBBANK	4.79	-0.8	19.10
8	GAMUDA	4.47	1.8	9.50	TENAGA	14.52	0.6	8.15	PETGAS	17.72	-0.7	0.47
9	IHH	9.00	-0.6	9.45	SUNMED	1.86	0.5	15.00	IHH	9.00	-0.6	9.45
10	SUNWAY	5.44	0.2	9.13	CIMB	7.84	0.5	7.49	SDG	5.95	-0.5	8.34

Notes: # KL Composite Index (FBMKLCI) component stocks

## Corporate News

- **Leong Hup 1Q profit rises 13.0% on stronger poultry demand, with zero subsidies**

Leong Hup International Bhd posted a 13.0% year-on-year rise in its first-quarter net profit, driven by a stronger performance in its livestock and poultry products segment, despite the absence of government subsidies. Net profit for the quarter rose to RM115.0m from RM101.8m a year earlier, as revenue grew 2.4% to RM2.3b from RM2.2b. No dividend was proposed with the results. The group did not record any government subsidies during the quarter, compared with the RM29.6m it recognised in 1QFY2025. (*The Edge Malaysia*)

- **MNRB proposes to buy remaining 80.0% stake in Labuan Re for RM400.5m in related-party deal**

MNRB Holdings Bhd is acquiring the remaining 80.0% stake in offshore reinsurer Labuan Reinsurance (L) Ltd (Labuan Re) for USD100.7m (RM400.5m) cash in a related-party deal, as it seeks to fully consolidate the business and strengthen the group's regional reinsurance and retakaful platform. The transaction is considered a related-party deal because MNRB and five of its vendors — MISC Bhd, Tenaga Nasional Bhd, Maybank, RHB Bank Bhd and Telekom Malaysia Bhd— share a common shareholder, Permodalan Nasional Bhd (PNB). (*The Edge Malaysia*)

- **Malayan Flour Mills' 1Q net profit rises 28.0% on stronger JV contributions**

Malayan Flour Mills Bhd (MFM) saw stronger contributions from its joint ventures in the first quarter ended March 31, 2026 (1QFY2026), contributing to a 28.4% rise in net profit for the quarter. Share of profit from equity-accounted joint ventures surged to RM10.9m from RM3.3m previously, supported by improved performance at its 51.0%-owned poultry joint venture Dindings Tyson Sdn Bhd and a return to profitability at PT Bungasari Flour Mills Indonesia. Dindings Tyson recorded profit after tax of RM18.4m against RM7.4m previously, while PT Bungasari posted profit after tax of RM5.1m compared to a loss after tax of RM1.7m a year ago. (*The Edge Malaysia*)

- **Fiamma's 1Q net profit declines 70.3% on absence of one-off gain despite higher revenue**

Fiamma Holdings Bhd posted a sharp 70.3% decline in first-quarter net profit, mainly due to the absence of a large one-off gain recorded in the same period last year, even as revenue grew. Fiamma's net profit for the quarter ended March 31, 2026 (1QFY2026) fell to RM10.8m from RM36.2m a year earlier. Revenue rose by 5.9% to RM104.4m from RM98.5m. The group's sharp drop in net profit was largely due to the absence of a RM23.2m one-off gain recorded in the previous corresponding quarter from equity dilution of Aricia Sdn Bhd and Dawn Land Sdn Bhd. (*The Edge Malaysia*)

- **Vizione secures RM65.6m job for Sentul project, first major win since terminating RM1.2b contracts**

Construction and property company Vizione Holdings Bhd on Tuesday said that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Bina Permai Sdn Bhd, has secured a RM65.6m contract for main building works on a residential development project in Sentul, Kuala Lumpur. It is the company's first major contract win since ending two large projects worth a combined RM1.2b last year. The company said the contract was awarded by Bina Asia Sdn Bhd, and Bina Permai will act as the main contractor for the project. (*The Edge Malaysia*)



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## Macro Bits

### Global

- [Economic outlook at risk of further deterioration, OECD says](#) Risks to the global economy have worsened as the conflict in the Middle East drags on, OECD secretary general Mathias Cormann said on the sidelines of a Group of Seven meeting. (*The Edge Malaysia*)

### Malaysia

- **Transport costs drive inflation to a near two-year high as global pressures build** Headline inflation rose to 1.9% YoY in April (Mar: 1.7%), driven primarily by higher transport costs. The print matched our forecast and consensus. Prices increased 0.37% MoM (Mar: 0.29%), largely due to a 2.5% MoM rise in transport inflation. We maintain our 2026 inflation forecast at 2.1% (2025: 1.4%), although risks remain tilted toward a more persistent and broader-based food pass-through despite continued subsidy support and a firmer ringgit. (See *Economic Viewpoint: Malaysia Consumer Price Index*)
- [Govt to continue targeted interventions amid global supply pressures — Akmal Nasrullah](#) Economy Minister Akmal Nasrullah Ahmad Nasir said the government will continue implementing targeted interventions to ensure the rakyat are not left without appropriate support, particularly in ensuring sufficient supply of essential goods, stable prices and assistance reaching groups that genuinely require help. (*The Edge Malaysia*)
- [Govt to refine businesses' diesel subsidy quotas to reduce leakages](#) The government has approved changes to the diesel subsidy system to reduce leakages while still keeping it working for legitimate businesses. Economy Minister Akmal Nasrullah Mohd Nasir said the National Economic Action Council (MTEN) has agreed with the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Cost of Living's plan to improve the Subsidised Diesel Control System (SKDS) to reduce misuse of diesel subsidies. (*The Edge Malaysia*)
- [Govt remains focused on digital initiatives to benefit citizens, region — deputy minister](#) The government remains focused on ensuring Malaysia's digital initiatives continue to deliver tangible benefits to citizens and the region, said Deputy Digital Minister Datuk Wilson Ugak Kumbong. (*The Edge Malaysia*)
- [Malaysia's April vehicle sales up 17% to 72,113 units, says MAA](#) Malaysia's new vehicle sales increased 17% to 72,113 units in April from 61,807 units in the same month last year, according to the Malaysian Automotive Association (MAA). (*The Edge Malaysia*)

### Asia Pacific

- [China expected to keep benchmark lending rates steady amid flush liquidity](#) China is expected to leave its benchmark lending rates unchanged for a 12th consecutive month in May, a Reuters survey showed, as ample interbank cash supplies reduced the need to cut rates despite weak economic and lending activities. (*Reuters*)
- [Indonesia plans to tighten state control over commodity exports — Bloomberg](#) Indonesia plans to tighten control over commodity exports including coal and palm oil, according to people familiar with the matter, as the government seeks to clamp down on tax evasion and bolster a plunging rupiah. (*The Edge Malaysia*)

### Americas

- [U.S. Fed to avoid cutting rates this year; economists still say war-driven inflation is transitory: Reuters poll](#) The U.S. Federal Reserve will avoid cutting interest rates this year, according to most economists polled by Reuters who largely pushed long-held calls for reductions into next year on hopes the current inflation flare-up is temporary. (*Reuters*)
- [US pending home sales increase further; higher mortgage rates remain a constraint](#) Contracts to purchase previously owned U.S. homes increased for a third straight month in April, likely as a temporary retreat in mortgage rates pulled buyers back into the market. Economists, however, shrugged off the larger-than-expected rise in pending home sales, reported by the National Association of Realtors on Tuesday. (*Reuters*)

### Europe

- [UK unemployment rises as Mideast war hits jobs market](#) Britain's unemployment rate edged up to 5% in the first quarter of 2026, official data showed Tuesday, as the economic fallout from the Middle East war began to bite. It was a slight increase from the 4.9% jobless rate seen in the three months to the end-February, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) said. (*The Edge Malaysia*)



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**List of Oversold Stocks (14-Day RSI<30-mark)**

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D
FCW HOLDINGS BHD	1.610	28.37	18.87	1.79	1.610

\*Only for stocks with market cap &gt;RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

**List of Overbought Stocks (14-Day RSI>70-mark)**

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D
MKH BHD	1.660	87.67	88.55	84.66	1.770
EG INDUSTRIES BHD	1.580	82.11	85.33	89.58	1.630
SAMCHEM HOLDINGS BHD	0.570	81.75	87.83	99.46	0.585
RANHILL UTILITIES BHD	2.140	81.06	87.88	98.48	2.230
UEM EDGENTA BHD	1.100	80.84	92.55	100.00	1.100
O.S.K. HOLDINGS BHD	1.900	76.39	76.28	68.11	1.920
PARAGON UNION BHD	4.950	76.12	75.85	87.60	4.950
WESTPORTS HOLDINGS BHD	6.160	73.47	83.51	98.31	6.280
UNISEM (M) BERHAD	3.910	73.31	71.87	41.73	4.100
MALAYSIAN PACIFIC INDUSTRIES	43.200	72.96	71.88	47.31	46.860
MIKRO MSC BHD	0.450	72.31	77.46	91.65	0.460
TMK CHEMICAL BHD	1.850	72.12	74.72	85.31	1.880
LUXCHEM CORP BHD	0.415	70.50	75.36	89.55	0.420

\*Only for stocks with market cap &gt;RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

**List of Oversold Warrants (14-Day RSI<30-mark)**

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D	EXPIRY DATE
SUNWAY HEALTHCARE HOLDINGS BHD-CD	0.105	25.16	29.43	21.77	0.095	29/10/2026
HANG SENG INDEX-QH	0.115	28.07	22.86	4.83	0.100	29/6/2026
HANG SENG INDEX-OY	0.020	28.57	22.73	3.80	0.020	28/5/2026

Source: Bloomberg

**List of Overbought Warrants (14-Day RSI>70-mark)**

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D	EXPIRY DATE
EG INDUSTRIES BHD-CP	0.150	81.90	84.53	88.86	0.165	27/10/2026
EG INDUSTRIES BHD-CN	0.250	80.84	83.74	88.72	0.275	30/9/2026
EG INDUSTRIES BHD-CM	0.155	79.69	83.14	89.44	0.165	24/9/2026
EG INDUSTRIES BHD-CK	0.085	77.92	81.63	87.14	0.100	30/6/2026
EG INDUSTRIES BHD-WD	0.655	77.74	80.65	81.96	0.705	31/12/2028
UNISEM M BHD-C57	0.385	73.73	69.52	36.83	0.450	29/10/2026
GIIB HOLDINGS BHD-WA	0.040	70.30	70.03	56.87	0.055	1/9/2026

Source: Bloomberg

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OUTPERFORM	: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
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OVERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
NEUTRAL	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of -5% to 10%
UNDERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is LESS than -5%

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