


MORNING BREAK


STOCK MARKET INDEX

FBMKLCI
1778.13
 **-10.18**
-0.57%

SHANGHAI
2768.02
 **-56.51**
-2.00%

NIKKEI
22,581.07
 **+68.54**
+0.30%

DJIA
25,326.16
 **-7.66**
-0.030%

FTSE
7573.93
 **-76.98**
-1.01%



BUSINESS & ECONOMIC NEWS

LOCAL

- Kaji laksana rasionalisasi TEKUN (*Utusan*)
- MIDF peruntuk RM150 juta bagi dua skim jaminan baharu (*Berita Harian*)
- Ministry to intensify entrepreneurship programmes to boost income of Risda smallholders (*The Edge*)
- Syarikat Jaminan Pembiayaan Perniagaan Bhd (SJPP) guarantees MIDF loans to SMEs (*NST*)
- Selangor prepares to unleash potential (*Malaysian Reserve*)

GLOBAL

- Starbucks CEO confirms Alibaba partnership, plans to expand delivery to 2,000 stores in China (*CNBC*)
- Google might return to China. Here's why that's so controversial (*CNN*)
- Convert your loose change into EZ-Link credits with this new cashless solution (*The Edge*)
- Google Glass may help kids with autism read facial expressions (*Channel NewsAsia*)
- Chinese investors flock into money-market funds (*Malaysian Reserve*)

COMMENT

INFORMAL SECTOR WORK FORCE SURVEY REPORT, MALAYSIA, 2017

In 2017, there were 1.36 million employed persons in the informal sector comprising 9.4 per cent share of the total employment in Malaysia lower than 2015 (10.0%). Meanwhile, the share of informal sector employment of the employment in non-agricultural sector was 10.6 per cent (2015: 11.4%). The annual growth rate of informal sector employment decreased 1.4 per cent in 2017 as compared to an increase of 2.9 per cent in 2015.

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