

# MORNING BREAK

## STOCK MARKET INDEX

**FBM KLCI**  
**1802.87**  
 **+9.93**  
**+0.55%**

**SHANGHAI**  
**2720.30**  
 **+20.35**  
**+0.75%**

**NIKKEI**  
**23,719.02**  
 **+298.48**  
**+1.27%**

**DJIA**  
**26,246.96**  
 **+184.84**  
**+0.71%**

**FTSE**  
**7300.23**  
 **-1.87**  
**-0.026%**



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KFC sasar buka 23 cawangan tahun ini (*Utusan*)

Alibaba pameran kehebatan teknologi di Computing Conference 2018 (*Astro Awani*)

KLIA among Asia-Pacific's top 5 most connected airports (*The Edge*)

Electricity industry to undergo transformation with MESI 2.0 (*NST*)

### GLOBAL

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Jobs-for-Saudis plan tests retailers used to cheap foreign labor (*Bloomberg*)

Exclusive: Nestle, Unilever, Coke make bids in \$4 billion-plus GSK India sale (*Reuters*)

Japanese billionaire businessman revealed as SpaceX's first Moon traveller (*NST*)

Apple escapes China tariff hit for now, but threats loom (*NST*)

### COMMENT

#### KEY STATISTICS OF LABOUR FORCE IN MALAYSIA, JULY 2018

The labour force participation rate in July 2018 increased by 0.1 percentage point to 68.6 per cent as compared to the previous month. Year-on-year showed that the labour force participation rate increased by 0.9 percentage points (July 2017: 67.7%).

The unemployment rate in July 2018 remained at 3.4 per cent for the two consecutive months, but dropped 0.1 percentage point as compared to the same month of 2017. The number of unemployed persons recorded a total of 518.6 thousand persons, decreased 0.1 per cent against July 2017.

For more info, click [HERE](#).

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