

MORNING BREAK

INSTITUT KEUSAHAWANAN NEGARA BERHAD (INSKEN)



Stock Market Index

FBM KLCI: 1845.27 ▼ - 0.63% SHANGHAI: 3291.11 ▼ - 0.01% NIKKEI: 21783.71 ▼ - 0.09% DJIA: 24873.66 ▲ + 0.47% FTSE: 7139.76 ▲ + 0.10%

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LOCAL

- Pasaran modal Malaysia berkembang 12.6% kepada RM3.2 trilion (*Utusan*)
- PNB penting jayakan dasar induk kerajaan termasuk Dasar Ekonomi Baru (DEB) (*Berita Harian*)
- Private sector should drive the economy and be its biggest investor: Idris Jala (*NST*)
- No plans to ban surcharges for credit card use, says govt (*Malaysia Reserve*)
- Digital economy & automation seen impacting Malaysian labour market, says AmBank Research (*The Edge*)

GLOBAL

- Alibaba shares jump after report it's considering a Chinese listing (*CNBC*)
- Grab lets you notify three emergency contacts in time of need (*The Star*)
- Pricier than Apple? Xiaomi's hot again, and investors could get burned (*Wall Street Journal*)
- Shell to sell New Zealand assets to OMV for US\$578m (*NST*)
- U.S. tech companies win changes in bill to limit China access to technology (*Reuters*)

COMMENT

Key Statistics of Labour Force in Malaysia, January 2018

Labour force participation rate in January 2018 was 68.2 per cent, rose 0.1 percentage point as compared to the previous month. Year-on-year showed that labour force participation rate in January 2018 increased by 0.5 percentage points. Unemployment rate for January 2018 increased 0.1 percentage point to 3.4 per cent. [Link of the key statistics of labour force in Malaysia, January 2018.](#)

Source: DOSM