

MALAYSIA NANBAN HIGHLIGHTS: FRIDAY, JAN. 9  
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1. KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said if leaders and administrators continue to engage in corrupt activities, this will trigger off public resentment and fury against the government because it is a form of public oppression. Page 1. Lead story

2. KUALA LUMPUR: Education Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak reminded schools to give priority to drug presentation programmes because the government is gravely concerned over the drug problem among students. He launched the book "Kenali dan Perangi Dadah" published by the National Narcotics Agency. Page 1

3. KUALA LUMPUR: Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said Malaysia proposes to work out new agreements with supplier countries so that imports can be made using currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Page 1

4. PULAU PINANG: Six members of a family died in a pre-dawn fire which gutted a mini market at Taman Sahabat, Teluk Kumber here. Two of the family members managed to escape with only burns in their bodies. Thirty-two firemen in three engines fought for five hours to bring down the fire. Page 2

5. KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia Airlines (MAS) will put up 350 extra flights to cater for the increased demand for the double festive Chinese New Year and Hari Raya Puasa celebrations. The extra flights would be put up from Jan 23 to Feb 4 involving 21 sectors. Page 2

6. KOTA KINABALU: Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Dr Ting Chew Peh directed all local authority chairmen and members to make frequent visits in their areas to ensure a high degree of cleanliness. It is necessary for the visit to begin immediately, he said. Page 5

7. KUALA LUMPUR: The cabinet has approved the setting up of the National Economic Action Council (NEAC) and has named its representatives in the body. It will have experts from the financial and business sectors. Page 6

8. ALOR SETAR: Health Minister Datuk Chua Jui Meng said his ministry has instructed makers of toothpaste to have the instruction on its use displayed on the packaging for easy reference especially by children. Page 12

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