

SUN HIGHLIGHTS, JAN 14, 1998, WEDNESDAY
14 JANUARY 1998

1. KUALA LUMPUR: The door has been opened for private colleges offering twinning programmes to conduct the final year of their degree courses locally. page 1;

2. KUALA LUMPUR: The Fourth Pacific Dialogue ended yesterday on a positive note, expressing confidence that the region's economies will bounce back. page 2;

3. BANGI: Don't rely on investor confidence alone for an economic revival, says Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad. page 2;

4. KLANG: Two secondary school teacher and a tutor were charged in separate session courts here yesterday in connection with the leakage of question papers in last year's Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia examination. page 3;

5. KUALA LUMPUR: The Education Ministry is looking into ways to expand the capacity of local higher educational institutions to accommodate overseas students who wish to complete their studies here. page 3; --

6. KUALA LUMPUR: Public higher educational institutions the country signed an agreement with the Education Ministry yesterday to form a consortium which supports a wider multimedia technology usage in higher education. page 3;

7. PETALING JAYA: Durable items will top the list of food products that will have a ceiling on prices, the Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry said. page 4;

8. TELUK INTAN: There is no need to issue ration cards to buy sugar in Perak as the shortage here is not serious. page 4;

9. KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysian banks are as solid as ever, as far as the 30,000-strong National Union of Bank Employees (NUBE) is concerned, and there is no reason whatsoever for customers to doubt the safety of their deposits. page 4;

10. PENANG; More than 50,000 vehicles a day are expected to use Penang Bridge during Gongxi Raya this year, an increase of more than 20% from the present average of 41,000. page 6; -- more

11. PENANG: The registration fee for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) will increase by 316% in July. page 7;

12. KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia is prepared to discuss the Pattani United Liberation Organisation (PULO) issue whose members are said to be trained in Malaysia if Thailand raised the matter in Malaysia in the meeting between foreign ministers of both countries next month. page 8;

13. KUALA LUMPUR: Intrakota will put 100 more high density buses on the road by March to cope with increased passenger demand with the phasing out of minibuses by the end of February. page 8;

14. KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia has not asked for any support or intervention from the United States to shore up its heavily-devalued ringgit. page 1 (business);

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