

THE STAR HIGHLIGHTS, JAN 14, 1998, WEDNESDAY
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1. BANGI: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has called on the people to invest in Malaysian companies because this will help the economy recover faster. page 1;

2. KLANG: Three teachers, two from government schools and one from a tuition centre here, were charged under the Official Secrets Act (OSA) yesterday with leaking four Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) examination papers. page 1;

3. BANGI: Long-term profits should be adequate incentive for the private sector to get involved in research and development (R&D), Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said. page 2;

4. KUALA LUMPUR: The United States has praised Malaysia for the measures it has taken to address the current economic crisis. page 2;

5. KUALA LUMPUR: International political and economic leaders are confident and optimistic of East Asia's economic recovery. page 2; --

6. KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday held a one-hour discussion with US Congress Finance Committee chairman William Roth on co-operation between Malaysia and the United States to overcome the current economic crisis in South-East Asia. page 2;

7. KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said yesterday that the social and political repercussions of the economic crisis will dominate unless the current crisis is managed wisely and resolved quickly. page 2;

8. KUALA LUMPUR: MCA will deploy 3,000 Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman (TARC) students to promote the importance of education among poor families nationwide this year. page 3;

9. KUALA LUMPUR: Several hundred Malaysian students who want to return from educational institutions abroad will be absorbed into private universities, Education Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said. page 4;

10. PENANG: Universiti Sains Malaysia has increased the fees for its post-graduate programmes by between 200% and 400% effective Jan 1. page 4;

11. PENANG: About 10,000 non-graduate teachers nationwide are hoping for Kongsu Raya windfall following the Government's decision to upgrade them. page 4;

12. PETALING JAYA: The MCA senior citizens affairs bureau is planning to launch a registration exercise to match senior citizens with suitable job vacancies. page 4;

13. KUALA LUMPUR: More than 20% of the 5,423 accidents on the North South Expressway (NSE) last year were caused by drivers dozing off while driving. page 6;

14. PETALING JAYA: The Government's effort to redeploy foreign workers to high-labour sectors is a proactive and logical step in adjusting to the economic downturn. page 8;

15. PENANG: Factories intending to retrench foreign workers can transfer them to export-oriented industries, Immigration Department deputy director-general Datuk Aseh Che Mat said yesterday. page 8;

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