

SARAWAK NEWSPAPERS HIGHLIGHTS
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THE BORNEO POST:

1. KUCHING: A former account manager with a bank here who was believed to have absconded with over RM1.6 million from a client's account has been remanded for 12 days this afternoon to facilitate investigation. Page 1

2. KUALA LUMPUR: Works Minister and MIC President Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu today submitted a detailed report outlining the MIC's proposals for improving the lot of rubber and oil palm estate workers. Page 4

3. SANDAKAN: A tour of the world-renowned Sepilok Orang Utan Rehabilitation Centre, near here seemed to have convinced a group of top Japanese tour operators, travel agents and writers of the special appeal that Sabah has for the Japanese market. Page 21

SARAWAK TRIBUNE:

1. KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said yesterday the whole process of coming up with a national strategic plan on Knowledge-economy (K-economy) will take about 18 months from now. Page 1

2. KUCHING: The Sarawak United People's Party (SUPP) will formulate more programmes to complement the government's efforts to help Chinese aided schools, particularly those in rural areas, which are not performing well, its president Datuk Amar Dr George Chan Hong Nam disclosed yesterday. Page 3

3. KUCHING: Valuation and Property Services Department (VPSD) deputy director-general Encik Mani Usilappan appealed to all custodians of the property market in Sarawak to assist the National Property Information Centre (Naptic) in giving transparent and accurate property information to the public, developers and buyers. Page 5

UTUSAN SARAWAK:

1. KUCHING: Sarawak needs to have a comprehensive data base on land to enable her implement various development projects in the Native Customary Rights land. Page 1

2. KUCHING: The Sarawak United People's Party (SUPP) urges the federal government to give additional allocation to solve the high rate of drop-outs among Chinese students living in rural areas. Page 2

3. KUALA LUMPUR: The government has been urged to enact a National Communications Policy to act as a guideline to assist and censor foreign programmes in Astro to ensure that they are in line with the regulations and the nation's culture. Page 7

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