

1. KUALA LUMPUR: The Government has been urged to re-establish English stream schools so as to arrest the declining standard of the language in the country. Lead story. page 1

2. KUALA LUMPUR: Twelve people, including nine Malaysians were killed when a tour bus plunged into a valley in North Korea. 11 other Malaysians were injured. A reporter who accompanied the tour said the lack of communications outside Pyongyang had hampered the call for rescue work. This was the main cause for the death of five of the Malaysians. page 1.

3. JELI: A 34-year-old woman, Nik Mariam Ibrahim, was found dead after being mauled by a tiger at Felcra Berdang A near here Sunday.

Jeli district police chief DSP Ahmad Nordin Jaafar said Nik Mariam's remains were found in a rubber plantation at about 10.15 am.

4. KUALA LUMPUR: Pengurusan Danaharta Nasional Berhad has invited tenders for the purchase of Naluri Berhad shares belonging to Tan Sri Tajudin Ramli that has been pledged as loan collateral. page 1

5. LANGKAWI: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has challenged the PAS-led Kelantan government to fulfil all the promises it made to bring development to the people in the state.

"It said that everything can be done if it comes into power, so ask it to do so," he said when asked to comment on a press report that the Kelantan government had mortgaged several pieces of land in Ulu Kelantan to private companies. page 2

6. LANGKAWAI: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr. Mahathri Mohamad is confident that the tourism industry in Langkawi will grow in the future. page 2

7. KAJANG: The May 16 deadline for settlement of traffic summonses will not be extended as motorists have not indicated interest in settling their dues, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi said. page 3

8. PADANG BESAR: Puteri UMNO is planning to set up an Information, Communication and Technology laboratory in its 165 divisions to help women be prepared for the challenges in the globalised world. page 4

9. KUALA LUMPUR: Once again Malaysia will host an international level conference, this time it is the Seventh Conference for Endowment and Islamic Affairs Ministers. page 5

10. KUALA LUMPUR: About 97 per cent of the MCA's 166 divisions have agreed to elections without contest.

MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik said discussion and negotiations were still on for about six or seven divisions.

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