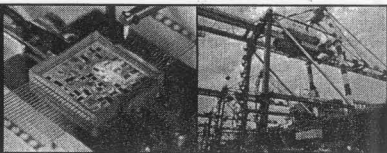


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1980



- Malaysia becomes the world's largest exporter of semi-conductors
- Malaysia becomes the third largest exporter of air-conditioners in the world
- Malaysian Export Trading Centre officially opens

1981



- Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad became the fourth Prime Minister of Malaysia
- Look East Policy is launched
- Time in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak is synchronized

1982



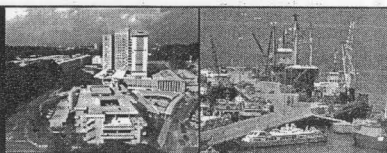
- Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN) is launched to improve the standard of living among bumiputeras

1983



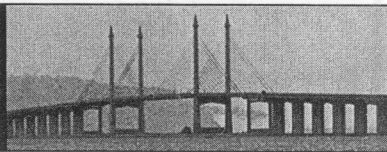
- Launch of Malaysia Incorporated concept
- Launch of Privatisation Policy
- Malaysia's first national car project is announced
- The first Islamic Bank (BIMB) is established

1984



- The fourth Malay Language And Correspondence Congress is attended by 30 overseas observers
- University Hospital creates history by successfully treating three heart patients without surgery
- Labuan is made Labuan Federal Territory

1985



- Inauguration of Penang Bridge - longest bridge in South East Asia
- The first Proton Saga (national car) rolls out of the assembly line in Shah Alam

1986



- Malaysia hosts the South-South Conference in Kuala Lumpur, promoting dialogue on major issues
- The Fifth Malaysia Plan is launched
- Women make up 30% of government staff

1987



- Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad was elected as President of the International Conference on Drug Abuse in Vienna, Austria
- Bahasa Malaysia Baku is introduced in Form One and Remove Classes

1988



- Launch of second earth satellite station linking Malaysia to the world
- Proton Saga receives world recognition

1989



- Host for the 15th SEA Games and National Sports Policy is adopted
- Host for Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM)
- Malayan Communist Party signs Peace Agreement with Government, ending 41 years of armed struggle

1990



- Host for the first G15 Meeting
- Labuan is declared an International Offshore Financial Centre (IOFC)

1991



- Launch of Vision 2020 - a 30-year plan towards achievement of 'Developed Nation' status
- JARING project is launched
- Sixth Malaysia Plan is launched

1992



- Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN) releases the biggest bonus in the history of its establishment
- Amanah Saham Bumiputera (ASB) replaces ASN - to enable bumiputeras with lower income to apply for loan of RM5,000 without interest
- Malaysia is the first ASEAN country to introduce unleaded petrol
- Launch of Proton Iswara
- Malaysia wins the Thomas Cup