

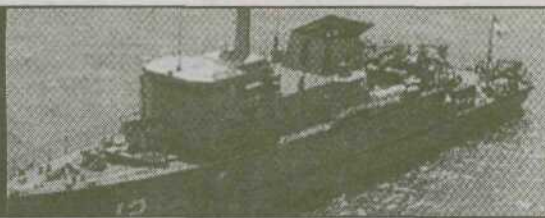
WHEN YOU GO TO THE POLLS ON MARCH 21, REMEMBER 47 YEARS OF MALAYSIAN ACHIEVEMENTS

1957



- Declaration of Independence by Tunku Abdul Rahman, August 31, Stadium Merdeka
- Malaya becomes a member of Commonwealth of Nations and the United Nations
- Lt. Col. Abbas Abdul Manan becomes the first Malay military officer to head the Federal Army Battalion

1958



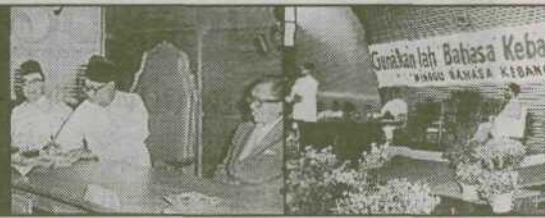
- Hor Lung, Malayan Communist Party's second in command, surrenders
- The Federal Navy is established
- Pioneer industries enjoy "tax holiday" for first 5 years
- The government starts using Bahasa Melayu in all formal government documents

1959



- The Bank Negara Tanah Melayu is established
- Malaya signs the first friendship agreement with Indonesia
- The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong officially opens University of Malaya
- Bahasa Melayu is strictly used for the first time in the Federal Legal Council Conference

1960



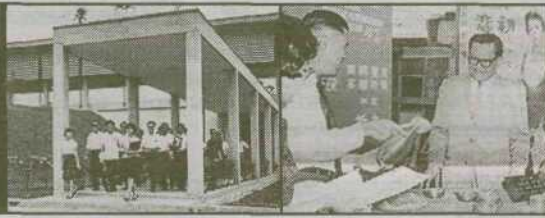
- The end of Emergency rule is declared by the government, signifying victory against Communism
- The Bunga Raya is chosen as the national flower
- National Language Week is launched

1961



- Dramatic turnaround for the country: with the end of Emergency rule came the birth of Malaysia concept
- Language & Literature Agency building is constructed - another step towards making Bahasa Melayu as the national language

1962



- Primary school is made free
- University of Malaya becomes a national institution with almarhum Tunku Abdul Rahman as its first Chancellor
- Rubber Research Institute introduces rubber seeds to increase production of rubber mills
- A body is established to assist Malay Muslims Haji pilgrims
- Malaya becomes the first winner in the Asian Federation Badminton Championship
- 180,000 adults attend classes in support of the "Abolish Illiteracy" campaign called "End It"

1963



- Formation of Malaysia with the addition of Sabah and Sarawak
- Foundation stone laid for Masjid Negara, symbol of multi-racial harmony
- Malaysian Television is launched
- MIDF is established to provide industrial loans to Malay businessmen
- Siti Norma Yaacob becomes the first woman elected as Federal Registrar in the National Court

1964



- Ministry of Culture, Youth & Sports is established for the progress of Malaysia's youth
- Lt. Gen. Tengku Ozman Tengku Mohamad Jewa becomes the first Malaysian to head the Royal Army
- Kota Bharu, Kelantan, receives its first television reception, opening a new era in communication between the state and the rest of the nation

1965



- First Economic Congress of Indigenous People is held
- Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA) is established, replacing RIDA
- Bumiputra Bank is set up, based on Economic Congress of Indigenous People's recommendation
- National Mosque officially opens to all Muslims

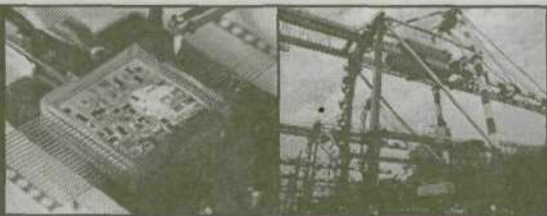
1966



- Film Censorship Board is established to regulate the exposure of films with unhealthy influences
- National Monument is completed, dedicated to over 11,000 people who died during the 12-year Emergency
- DPM Tun Razak signs a peace pact designed to end Indonesia's 3-year confrontation with Malaysia

EN TRACK RECORD

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



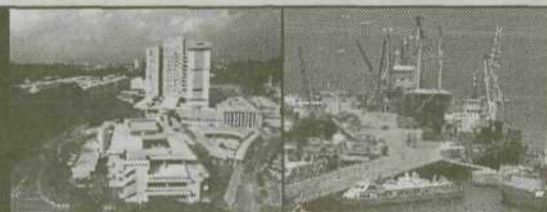
- Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN) is launched to improve the standard of living among bumiputeras

1983



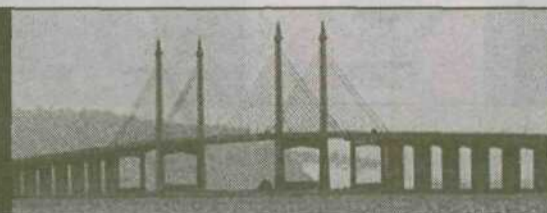
- Launch of Malaysia Incorporated concept
- Launch of Privatisation Policy
- Malaysia's first national car project is announced
- The first Islamic Bank (BIMB) is established

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



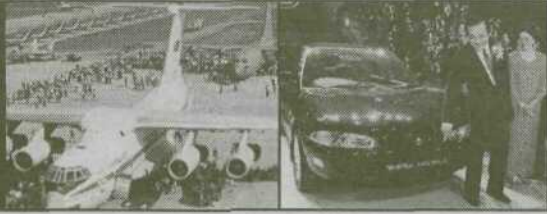
- Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN) releases the biggest bonus in the history of its establishment
- Amanah Saham Bumiputera (ASB) replaces ASN - to enable bumiputeras with lower income to apply for loan of RM5,000 without interest
- Malaysia is the first ASEAN country to introduce unleaded petrol
- Launch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



BARISAN NASIONAL

EXCELLENCE • GLORY • DISTINCTION

1993



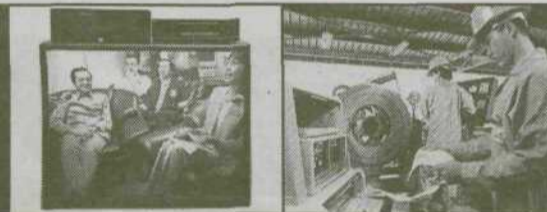
- Launch of Langkawi International Maritime & Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA)
- Privatisation of Tenaga Nasional Berhad to improve the power supply services throughout the country
- Proton Wira model is introduced

1994



- Opening of the region's largest stadium in Shah Alam
- Perodua Kancil, second national car, is launched
- Completion of the North-South Expressway ahead of schedule

1995



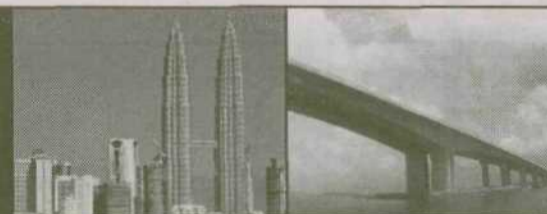
- Prime Minister of Malaysia becomes world's first Head of Government to go 'LIVE' on the Internet
- The Gross Domestic Product grows by 9.6%

1996



- Tan Sri Razali Ismail is appointed President of the 51st Session of the United Nations General Assembly
- Malaysian team conquers Mount Everest for the first time
- The Multimedia Development Corporation is set up to establish Malaysia's Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC)
- Launch of Malaysia's first satellite MEASAT 1

1997



- Opening of KLCC, world's tallest building
- Second Link to Singapore opens
- Sistem Transit Aliran Ringan (STAR) begins operations

1998



- Hosting of XVI (16th) Commonwealth Games at the new Bukit Jalil Sports Complex
- Official opening of KLIA
- Hosting of APEC '98 Heads of Government Summit
- Setting up of National Economic Action Council to deal with Asian financial crisis
- Completion of Projek Usahasama Transit Ringan Automatik (PUTRA), the LRT system from Gombak to Lebu Subang
- Government rejects International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- Implementation of Capital Controls towards economic recovery

1999



- The Federal government shifts to Putrajaya, the nation's new federal administrative centre
- Student enrollment in local universities reaches more than 500,000
- The success of the Formula 1 race at the Sepang International Circuit is viewed by 300 million worldwide
- Malaysia recovers from the economic crisis
- The world praises Malaysia for the successful implementation of the government's economic policy

2000



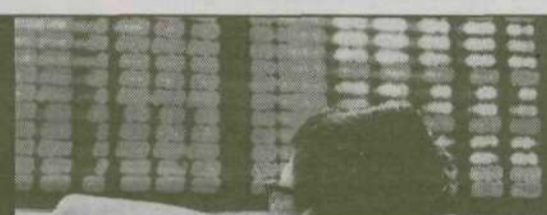
- Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi is appointed Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia
- Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates officially opens Microsoft Knowledge Capital Centre in Cyberjaya
- The Proton Waja, the first Malaysian designed car, is launched

2001



- KL Sentral is declared open by Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi
- MyKad, the Government Multi Purpose Card for national identification, is launched

2002



- Malaysia hosts the East Asia Economic Summit
- IMF praises Malaysia's economic recovery based on own reform policies

2003



- Malaysia hosts XIII NAM Summit
- Malaysia hosts the 10th Session of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC)
- Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad retired after 22 years in office and Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi becomes the 5th Prime Minister of Malaysia

2004



and beyond...

- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak is appointed Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia
- The inaugural National Service programme is launched