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ALOR SETAR: The Kedah branch of the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Cost of Living (KPDN) has contributed two forfeited vehicles to strengthen technical and vocational education and training (TVET) at the Alor Setar Vocational College.

Kedah KPDN director Muhammad Nizam Jamaludin said the vehicles – a Toyota Hilux and a Honda Civic – had previously been forfeited to the federal government under the Control of Supplies Act 1961.

He said the contribution aims to enhance students' practical skills and provide exposure to real vehicle engine technology in line with the rapid development of today's automotive technology.

"This handover is part of KPDN's ongoing commitment to strengthening strategic cooperation with educational institutions through the transfer of assets forfeited to the Malaysian government.

"KPDN is committed to continuing such contributions and hopes that the assets provided will be fully utilised by the college to ensure students receive quality training in line



Muhammad Nizam (fourth right) and others view the Toyota Hilux contributed by KPDN to the college. — Bernama photo

with industry requirements," he told reporters here.

Muhammad Nizam said throughout 2025, a total of 131 enforcement actions were taken under the Control of Supplies Act 1961 involving 43 vehicles, including cars, motorcycles and lorries, with a total seizure value of more than RM3.49 million.

He added that two more vehicles are expected to be

handed over to the National Youth Skills Institute in Jitra after the completion of legal procedures.

"We hope the contribution will have a positive impact on the education sector as well as the local community, in addition to helping students obtain more comprehensive technical training through the use of actual equipment." — Bernama

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加拉巴干国会议员安迪赴西巴迪岛 倾听民声关注油价课题



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(斗湖讯) 加拉巴干国会议员 拿督安迪莫哈末苏里亚迪宾班迪 于 2 月 3 日 (星期二) 前往西巴迪岛展开“后续行动会面”(Sesi Tindak Susul)，并与甘榜双溪达芒 (Sg. Tamang) 居民进行面对面交流，亲自聆听当地民众长期面对的生活问题与诉求。

在该项交流会上，安迪与居民展开坦诚且聚焦的讨论，深入了解社区

在基础设施、民生及日常开销方面所面对的挑战。陪同出席者包括西巴迪岛社区发展领袖办公室代表阿都卡林，以及教育界代表胡斯尼老师。多项地方性课题在会上被提出，并获得充分讨论。

安迪指出，这类直接与居民对话的会面极为重要，有助于他更全面掌握基层真实

情况，并将相关问题带到更高层级跟进与处理，以寻求长远而有效的解决方案。

在结束行程前，他也专程聆听国内贸易及生活成本部 (KPDN) 代表就西巴迪岛汽油价格问题所作的详细说明。针对当地居民长期反映的燃油售价偏高情况，安迪莫哈末苏里亚迪宾班迪呼吁相关单位采取更果断与具



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体的措施，尽快解决问题，以保障岛上居民的生活负担与公平权益。

他强调，政府有责任确保偏远地区居民在基本生活必需品方面，能够享有合理与可负担的价格，而西巴迪岛的特殊地理条件，更需要得到特别关注与妥善安排。

安迪表示，他将持续跟进此次会面中所收集到的意见与问题，并与相关部门保持沟通，确保居民的声音被听见、问题得到回应。“为加拉巴干打造更好的未来，是我始终坚持的责任与使命。” (18#)

雪內貿部去年151次行動 罰1381商店逾34萬

（吉隆坡8日讯）国内贸易及生活成本部（KPDN）雪州分局于去年，共展开151次执法行动，检查11万67间商铺，其中1381间被罚款，总额达34万1900令吉，另有478宗严重案件罚款共387万令吉，查获违禁商品总值高达1805万令吉。

据悉，去年共有1141宗案件违反2011年价格管制及反暴利法令、146宗案件涉及1961年供应控制法令、293宗违反1972年度量衡法和62宗案件触犯1999年消费者保护法令，显示消费者权益保障仍不足。

雪州内贸局局长莫哈末祖海里接受《光芒日报》采访时指出，其中查获最多的案件为商家明知所售商品价格，以及政府规定的管制价格，仍有部分商家以成本上涨或市场价格为由抬高售价。

他指出，商家最常给出

的借口包括不知道最新价格、新价格未更新，以及声称没有时间贴价格标签，甚至有业主将责任完全推给员工。

他补充，有些商家甚至只有在看到执法人员到访时才贴上价格标签，这反映出他们对法律的漠视。

須清楚標明價格

“这些借口无法被接受，法律明确规定，商家必须清楚标明价格，而非由消费者承担责任。”

他说，即使一些商品（例如食用油）是通过政府补贴渠道以较低价格获得，有些商家仍然以高于规定价格出售给消费者。

莫哈末祖海里强调，这种行为不仅损害消费者权益，也为价格操控和剥削提供空间，因此当局将持续加强执法力度，确保违规商家受到查处，保障消费者的合法权益。



■莫哈末祖海里（中）带队突击违法商家。

業主掛名他人經營違法

莫哈末祖海里指出，一些注册业主将经营管理权完全交给他人，导致虽以业主名义登记，但实际由没有法律责任的人士运营，忽视了法律义务。

他强调，所有在马来西亚公司委员会（SSM）合法注册的商铺，

必须由注册业主或具有法律责任的公民员工管理。

他补充说，不遵守相关规定不仅可能面临罚款或起诉，还可能遭受更严厉处罚，包括吊销营业执照，甚至被列入黑名单，无法在本国合法注册新企业。



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MyCC opening digital economy Pandora's box

BY ESTHER LEE
AND JOSE BARROCK

The digital economy is more deeply embedded in our daily lives than many realise. Not only has the internet-enabled smartphone changed the way we shop, interact and consume information, the digital economy sector has also become a prominent employer – already employing 2.2 million people, or 7.8% of the total working population, in 2023.

From making up 24.8% of gross domestic product, the digital economy is projected to contribute 26.5% to GDP by 2030, according to data from the Department of Statistics Malaysia.

Indeed, perhaps, by the newfound convenience, what happens behind the scenes largely goes unnoticed or is shrugged off by most consumers. That includes a significant increase in public complaints related to the digital sector, specifically on unfair trading conditions, which affect both suppliers and customers.

Complaints have piled up as people move into digitalised transactions. This has become more apparent after the Covid-19 pandemic. "In a rapidly digitising world, the rules of the game have changed. Traditional enforcement is no longer enough to manage emerging technologies and novel business paradigms," says Iskandar.

The issues often brought up, he says, include the inability to choose courier providers for the e-commerce sector, untraceable withholding of payments and unfair/unusable operational policies. Consumers on social media community groups often vent their frustrations on some colour on the ground.

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Key findings
MyCC found competition in the four subsectors to be concentrated, primarily driven by network effects, vertical integration and data-driven advantages. The commission highlighted that efforts are being made to ensure certain laws to strengthen the governance of certain subsectors of the digital economy and increase regulatory oversight.

"This review was about ensuring Malaysia's regulatory framework does not lag behind global standards, which would otherwise create a regulatory arbitrage risk for our digital markets," Iskandar explains.

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In the report, MyCC identified six critical issues across market structures, anti-competitive practices and unfair/unusable operational policies. Consumers on social media community groups often vent their frustrations on some colour on the ground.

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denoting the competition concerns these cases present. He adds that this will require close collaboration with the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture, especially to gain access to industry data and facilitate engagement with stakeholders.

For the e-commerce retail marketplace subsector, MyCC has recommended enhancing operational transparency, requiring the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Cost of Living to operationalise its upcoming amendments to the Electronic Commerce Act 2006.

These amendments are particularly relevant to strengthening platform governance, accountability, fairness and operational practices, while introducing measures that support fair trading for merchants, says Iskandar. He also points out that data privacy laws in Malaysia are insufficient at this juncture.

"While the data protection laws are there, privacy issues are a different thing altogether. Let's say in the e-commerce space, where they are vertically integrated with different businesses, from e-wallets to logistics and also last-mile delivery services," he notes.

"Although they are ultimately owned by the same company, they should not be able to share consumer information across their other businesses. It is not fair for businesses when these consumer platforms use consumer data for their own good."

Big is not a barrier
Reports indicate that these multinational companies are beyond the regulatory control of any single regulatory and steps to regulate them may not

bring about any real changes, but MyCC hopes to differ.

"Our mandate is to protect the Malaysian market. We have the legislative teeth to do so regardless of where a company is headquartered. If a commercial activity has an effect on competition in Malaysia, we have the jurisdiction," says Iskandar, pointing to MyCC's scope under the Competition Act 2010.

He is quick to add that the commission is not "anti-big tech" and is actually "pro-business" – unlike what detractors may claim.

"We understand that Malaysia is a small market, with a population of only 34 million. The big tech companies may have more revenue than our country (AND) 7% of the mobile users in Malaysia depend on the Android platform. So, there is a delicate balance to this," says Iskandar.

"So our current priority for the big tech companies, including the big tech ones, is to take the soft approach, it's better to talk than to go aggressive. We have a road map whereby we want to first strengthen our laws and policies and get all the ministries and local businesses aligned. This strengthens our domestic ecosystem and creates a unified Malaysian market."

The next step is to go regional, he adds, basing on this framework to the ASEAN level. "I'm sure there are similarities with other countries in ASEAN (facing the same issues). If we unite in dealing with these digital economy players, there will be a higher positive outcome." But should push come to shove, MyCC is willing to use a "strategic approach" if it is unable to get cooperation from the companies, says Iskandar, who adds that Malaysia would not

be the first country to strengthen its regulations on the digital economy. Places like Australia, Singapore and the European Union (EU) undertook such studies much earlier.

Globally, there is a growing number of anti-competition cases in the digital economy as regulators begin scrutinising the players involved in the sector to safeguard consumers and businesses.

The European Commission appears to be leading the charge in its crackdown on major technology companies, deploying new digital laws to curb their power and protect consumers.

In 2020, the EU slapped an anti-trust fine of €2.42 billion on Google, marking the fourth penalty in competition regulation levied against the tech giant in a decade. It also issued a €750 million fine on Meta for breaching EU antitrust rules by trying to silence classified ad service Facebook Marketplace by its personal social network Facebook and by imposing unfair trading conditions on other online classified ad service providers.

For Malaysia, Iskandar stresses the importance of the market review undertaken by the commission. He says it ensures that MyCC is not in the dark whenever issues related to the digital economy arise.

"We already understand how these markets work, where the risks lie and where to focus our intervention by conducting this study, so, we hope that if any issues or complaints arise in the subsector, we will already have a clear understanding of their supply chains and have a head start with the investigation," he adds.

This knowledge can also serve as a reference for other agencies and ministries in the future if they wish to formulate policies concerning these subsectors. "Competitive pricing must be understood by all the relevant parties, and not just the consumers," notes Iskandar.

MyCC hopes that the report on the market review, which will be unveiled on Feb 10, will be well received by not just the players in the ecosystem, but also the government and consumers.

How the various agencies and regulators overseeing different aspects of the digital economy come together to formulate workable solutions to build a resilient sector will be imperative in determining just how much tangible benefit reaches local businesses and consumers.

Also see "Digital economy ecosystem unpacked for you" on Pages 48 and 49

Summary of proposed decisions (Section 36, The Competition Act 2010)

PROPOSED DECISIONS (2024)	NO OF ENTERPRISES	STATUS	TYPE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION
Unimall Travel Services (2024)	81	Pending representations by the enterprises	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Child Care Centres in Kuala Lumpur and Selangor (2023)	22	Pending representations by the enterprises	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Tender recently by Klang/Prison Department (2023)	6	Pending representations by the enterprises	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Online Service Enterprises in Iskandar (2023)	31	Pending representations by the enterprises	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Central Sdn Bhd and Raza Construction Tender (2023)	2	Pending representations by the enterprises	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Total	142		

We go after the big issues, says MyCC

When asked if the independent commission also unravelled issues in the supply chain, detailing the market practices and main players along with the data practices of the four subsectors, with the intention to make clear to regulators, businesses and consumers how the digital economy functions, Iskandar describes the exercise as "opening Pandora's box" to highlight information on market structure and practices of the digital economy.

"After this report is published, businesses can change their policy on how they conduct business according to the market structure," he says.

Following the market review of these subsectors, MyCC is likely to increase scrutiny, especially of e-commerce and online travel agencies (OTAs), because these subsectors affect the public the most, says Iskandar.

Focus on e-commerce and OTAs
"One of the recommendations that can be implemented is for MyCC to investigate the use of price parity clauses in the OTAs subsector. In simple terms, these clauses have a standard practice requiring hotels to offer the same room rates on OTA platforms as they do on their own website or other booking channels," says Iskandar.

MyCC's findings show that the widespread use of this price parity clause poses harm to the competi-

Summary of final decisions (Section 40, The Competition Act 2010 – Breaching)

PRAISE DECISIONS (2024)	NO OF ENTERPRISES	FINANCIAL PENALTY	STATUS	TYPE OF VIOLATION
Carroll's Holdings For Cultural Association (2023)	150	-	-	Cartel under Section 4 of the Competition Act 2010 (Price fixing)
Malayian Air System Bhd, Air Asia X and AirAsia Bhd (2014)	3	RM20,000,000.00	-	The Federal Court dismissed MyCC's appeal and the financial penalty imposed by MyCC were returned to the enterprises
Lance manufacturers (2018)	24	RM23,250.00	-	All enterprises accepted MyCC's decision and paid the financial penalty
Shia Confectionary and Bakers Association (SACB) (2015)	14	RM47,750.00	-	All enterprises accepted MyCC's decision and paid the financial penalty
Container deposit operators (2016)	5	RM45,774.00	-	All enterprises accepted MyCC's decision and paid the financial penalty
MyCC Services Bhd and MY E.G. Commerce Sdn Bhd (2016)	2	RM5644,700.00	-	MyCC's decision against MyCC was upheld by the Federal Court. The enterprises paid the financial penalty
Lubon and day care centres (2018)	7	RM23,068.80	-	All enterprises accepted the decision and paid the financial penalty
Peninsula Insurance Amali (PAMI) (2020)	22	RM30,241,474.24	-	Currently under appeal
Digipart Technologies Sdn Bhd (2021)	2	RM10,302,478.00	-	Currently under appeal
Winhouse companies (2023)	7	RM1,043,012.52	-	Currently under appeal
Lampang Hore Ferry Operators (2021)	5	RM1,173,217.75	-	MyCC's decision was upheld by the Competition Appeal Tribunal (CAT) and the financial penalty was waived. The enterprises paid the financial penalty
ASARANA Procurement of IT Services (2022)	8	RM1,014,763.80	-	The enterprises paid the financial penalty. One of the enterprises filed a judicial review at the High Court
Chicken feeders (2019)	5	RM45,495,676.00	-	Currently under appeal
Tender supply of IT saving equipment (2024)	7	RM146,092.05	-	All enterprises accepted MyCC's decision and paid the financial penalty
Tender for the provision of construction works for roads and footpathing systems (2023)	8	RM2,876,078.90	-	Currently under appeal
Tender for maintenance works for Perbadanan Putrajaya (2025)	3	RM2,877,075.75	-	Currently under appeal
Total	270	RM687,333,344.83		

ring. Following that, the commission sought a judicial review of CAT's decision, resulting in the fine being imposed by the High Court in 2018.

The legal battle was long drawn out, but ended with the Federal Court dismissing MyCC's appeal. The fines imposed were then returned to the airlines.

The commission also took its case against Grab Holdings to the last year of the Federal Court, which rejected MyCC's bid to appeal against lower court decisions that overturned a RM68.7 million fine imposed on Grab in 2018.

Iskandar says MyCC's jobs do not end with a fine. The commission con-

tinues to monitor these sectors that have been investigated to ensure the players stay within the laws of the law. Nevertheless, he emphasises that MyCC is not just about investigations.

"The thing is, people see enforcement only through investigation. They say it is the best approach. But there are many other ways to solve the issues at hand. Investigation and enforcement of the law is one method. There is also advocacy, engagement and market review," says Iskandar.

He adds that MyCC also helps businesses to come up with compliance programmes as a means to

support them, especially small and medium enterprises, which often lack the resources to do so.

MyCC hopes that its actions will have a significant positive impact on the market. Competition is vital to ensuring the robustness of the nation's economy, Iskandar stresses, so competition law is not an afterthought.

"We are pro-business. The MSME (micro, small and medium enterprise) sector makes up 99% of our businesses in Malaysia, contributing about 40% to GDP (gross domestic product) – that is a lot. Our focus is protecting them. We want them

to grow and reach the next level," he says.

He adds that MyCC is always open to businesses that want to engage with the agency on how they can improve their compliance.

Indeed, when there are many businesses in the market, consumers are provided with choices and competitive pricing, which is what consumers continue to stay in the market will then be compelled to provide quality products at a cheaper price to win over customers, and that will result in businesses pushing themselves to be more innovative and efficient.

"We need competition and

healthy competitive practices to produce a better economy. Competition law is derived from economic principles. So, we've been to ensure that business does the line in accordance with economic principles," says Iskandar.

"We're not here to find fault with businesses. In fact, 90% of the complaints come from consumers, competitors and government agencies."



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Sabah welcomes tourism, demands local benefits

KOTA KINABALU: Sabah welcomes foreign investment in its tourism sector, but such investments must deliver tangible benefits to local communities and the state's long-term economic interests, said Datuk Jafry Ariffin.

The Minister of Tourism, Culture and Environment stressed that concerns about reports of a accommodation premises in Semporna being largely operated by external companies must be assessed comprehensively and based on facts, rather than in isolation.



Datuk Jafry Ariffin

strengthening local participation, creating jobs for Sabahans, and ensuring meaningful economic spillover to the community," he said in a statement on Sunday.

Sabah welcomes foreign investment, as global networks and market access are important drivers of tourism growth. However, investment must deliver clear benefits to Sabah by

Industry Monitoring, involving relevant state agencies, local authorities, industry players and community representatives.

He explained that the task force's primary objective is to resolve tourism-related issues in Semporna through a comprehensive and systemic approach, rather than reacting on a case-by-case basis.

"The focus is to align roles, jurisdiction and enforcement among relevant agencies to ensure proper governance, effective enforcement and orderly tourism development in Semporna," he said.

Jafry noted that issues related to illegal business activities and operations fall largely under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of

Local Government. Nevertheless, he said the state government, through the special task force, will coordinate closely with the ministry and relevant authorities to ensure proper governance and effective enforcement.

"Our approach is evidence-based and solution-driven. Tourism must not evolve into an enclave economy where profits leave but local benefits remain minimal," he said, adding that while Sabah must remain competitive globally as a tourism destination, Sabahans must remain the primary beneficiaries of tourism growth in their own state.

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State govt will continue to work closely with federal govt

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He also said the state government will continue to work closely with the federal government, including the Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Ministry (KPDN), to ensure clear governance, coordinated enforcement and sustainable tourism development for Semporna.

On Saturday, Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Datuk Armizan Mohd Ali had called on the state government to take a closer, data-driven look at foreign involvement in the state's tourism industry, particularly in Semporna.

The Papar MP said preliminary findings indicated that 81 resorts, chalets and accommodation facilities in Semporna are operated either through joint ventures between foreign and local companies, or are fully owned and run by foreign entities in about half of the cases.

"While we welcome foreign investors, we also need to examine what returns and benefits we are actually gaining. They may bring advantages such as international networks that attract foreign tourists, but we must look at the entire value chain," he said after officiating the launch of Kinarut Palm Avenue in Kinarut.

Armizan cautioned against a situation where local micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and workers are sidelined.

He stressed that stronger studies, monitoring and enforcement are needed, and expressed hope that Sabah's Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Environment would work closely with the federal Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture (MOTAC), with possible research support from Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) or the Institute for Development Studies (IDS).

He added that KPDN stands ready to assist in areas under its jurisdiction.



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and his Indian counterpart Narendra Modi shared a light moments with students around Putrajaya after the luncheon at the Seri Perdana Complex on Sunday. — Bernama photo

Ringgit mengukuh, harga barang import perlu turun

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SUBANG JAYA: Pengukuhan nilai ringgit ketika ini perlu diterjemahkan secara langsung kepada penurunan harga barangan import khususnya makanan, supaya manfaat kestabilan ekonomi dapat dinikmati oleh setiap pengguna.

Timbalan Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Dr. Ahmad Zahid Hamidi berkata, barangan import terutamanya makanan seharusnya ditawarkan pada harga lebih rendah selaras dengan peningkatan nilai mata wang negara berikutan perubahan kadar pertukaran asing.

Katanya, langkah menurunkan harga barangan berkenaan penting bagi memastikan pengguna memperoleh barangan keperluan pada kadar yang lebih berpatutan khususnya dalam kalangan golongan berpendapatan rendah.

"Secara perbandingan, produk import khususnya makanan sepatutnya diturunkan harganya berdasarkan kadar pertukaran mata wang.

"Saya rasa itu adalah satu-satunya usaha bagi memastikan golongan B40 memperoleh barangan keperluan dengan harga yang lebih berpatutan, bukan untuk bersenang-senang," katanya kepada pemberita selepas merasmikan Program Pelancaran Kempen Mega Rahmah Ramadan dan Kasih Syawal di Pasaraya Mydin di sini, semalam.



AHMAD Zahid Hamidi (kiri) diiringi oleh Pengarah Urusan Mydin Mohamed Holdings Bhd., Datuk Ameer Ali Mydin Mohamed meninjau barangan keperluan harian di Pasaraya Mydin, Subang Jaya, Selangor.
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Ahmad Zahid berkata, peniaga perlu mengambil pendekatan yang sama dalam penetapan harga apabila berlaku pengukuhan ringgit, sebagaimana mereka bertindak pantas menaikkan harga ketika nilai mata wang negara susut sebelum ini.

Katanya, situasi semasa

memperlihatkan ringgit berada pada kedudukan lebih kukuh hasil kestabilan ekonomi negara dan keadaan itu wajar dimanfaatkan oleh pengguna melalui harga barangan yang lebih munasabah.

"Ia mesti dilakukan begitu kerana faktanya ialah apabila ka-

dar pertukaran kita naik, penjual terus menaikkan harga mereka.

"Tetapi sekarang kadar pertukaran kita telah menurun (mengukuh) disebabkan kestabilan ekonomi kita, maka barangan tersebut mestilah diberi harga yang akan memberi manfaat kepada pengguna," katanya.

Perang harga bufet Ramadan

- **Hotel dan resort berlumba-lumba tarik pelanggan**
- **Harga serendah RM55, ramai sudah buat tempahan awal**

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PETALING JAYA – Perang harga bufet Ramadan 2026 menyaksikan persaingan sengit antara hotel dan resort di seluruh negara dengan tawaran serendah RM55

hingga lebih RM200.

Pelbagai hidangan ditawarkan termasuk masakan kampung, menu tradisional Melayu, warisan nusantara, konsep bazar Ramadan, kambing golek dan makanan Arab bagi menarik pelanggan.

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Perang harga bufet Ramadan

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Malah terdapat hotel yang menurunkan harga untuk menarik lebih ramai pelanggan, selain memberi peluang kepada orang ramai menikmati hidangan berbuka puasa pada harga lebih berpatutan.

Di Melaka, tinjauan Kosmo! mendapati, harga bufet Ramadan tahun ini bermula RM65 hingga RM148+ bagi dewasa dan beberapa hotel juga telah menurunkan harga antara RM2 hingga RM5.

Pengerusi Persatuan Hotel Malaysia (MAH) Melaka Chapter, Khairulnizam Kasim berkata, beberapa hotel lima bintang yang menawarkan bufet mewah masih mengekalkan harga hampir sama seperti tahun lalu.

Katanya, hotel empat bintang pula ada yang menurunkan harga bagi menarik pelanggan baharu.

"Pendekatan ini adalah langkah strategik pengurusan hotel bagi memastikan pelanggan masih mampu menikmati bufet tanpa tekanan kos tambahan.

"Strategi mengekalkan harga ini juga penting untuk memastikan kadar penginapan dan tempahan bufet kekal stabil sepanjang Ramadan," katanya.

Menurutnya, hotel juga mengekalkan tarikan utama seperti hidangan tradisional Melayu, menu warisan negeri serta konsep bazar Ramadan yang menjadi tarikan ramai.

Katanya, pakej promosi terus ditawarkan termasuk pembelian berkumpulan dan diskaun tempahan awal yang memberi penjimatan kepada pelanggan.

"Strategi harga sebegini bukan sahaja memberi peluang kepada orang ramai menikmati pengalaman berbuka puasa di hotel, tetapi memastikan sambutan masyarakat terhadap bufet Ramadan kekal positif," katanya.



ATAS: Seorang cef menunjukkan hidangan istimewa yang akan disajikan pada bufet Ramadan di Zai Sri Gemilang, Shah Alam.

KANAN: Antara hidangan berbuka puasa yang akan ditawarkan di Adena Beach Resort di Kuantan.

Di Kuantan, Pahang, perang harga bufet Ramadan juga telah bermula dan pelbagai promosi yang ditawarkan terus mendapat permintaan orang ramai yang telah mula membuat tempahan awal untuk berbuka puasa.

Pengarah Urusan Adena Beach Resort, Raja Azukri Raja Adam berkata, dengan tawaran yang amat menarik dengan promosi awal RM68 bagi setiap orang, pihaknya telah mula menerima tempahan sejak minggu lalu.

Katanya, pada tahun ini, harga bufet Ramadan turun kepada RM88 berbanding RM98 tahun lalu dengan tempahan awal mendapat harga promosi RM68 bagi dewasa.

"Dengan lebih 100 hidangan bertemakan 'Sajian Ayahanda'



yang mengetengahkan keaslian rasa masakan tradisional Melayu daripada resipi turun-temurun air tangan ayah sememangnya tawaran ini amat berbaloi.

"Kita menawarkan harga yang lebih rendah dan berpatutan untuk memberi peluang kepada orang ramai berbuka puasa di sini dan menikmati hidangan terbaik dari cef terkenal," katanya.

Ujarnya, dengan penurunan harga itu, pihaknya menyasarkan lebih ramai pelanggan yang berbuka puasa di resortnya yang

terletak di tepi pantai.

Malah, pihaknya memberi tawaran percuma kepada setiap 10 tempahan diterima dengan menawarkan pakej bersahur.

Pengurus Besar Menara Kuantan 188, Khalisa Azman pula berkata, kali ini pihaknya turut menawarkan pengalaman berbuka puasa di menara itu yang telah mula mendapat tempahan awal.

Pihaknya menawarkan promosi tempahan awal RM118 seorang berbanding RM138 harga biasa dengan tema 'Simfoni Rasa

di Awangan dengan lebih 200 tempahan diterima.

Di Kota Bharu, Kelantan, Holiday Villa Hotel & Suites (Holiday Villa) berjaya menjual 1,500 bawcar pembelian awal bagi bufet Ramadan sejak tempahan dibuka bermula awal bulan lalu.

Eksekutif Perhubungan Awam Holiday Villa, Noor Muliana Zahari berkata, harga istimewa pembelian awal adalah RM55 bagi dewasa, manakala RM30 bagi kanak-kanak dan warga emas.

Menurutnya, kadar harga biasa bagi bufet Ramadan di hotel itu pada tahun ini ditawarkan pada kadar RM89 bagi dewasa, manakala kanak-kanak dan warga emas RM40 seorang.

"Harga bufet Ramadan untuk dewasa tahun lalu adalah RM79, kanak-kanak RM35 dan warga emas RM50. Tahun ini, kami masih cuba kekalkan harga yang berpatutan dengan kualiti dan kepelbagaian menu.

"Holiday Villa menyasarkan 5,400 pelanggan hadir untuk berbuka puasa sepanjang 30 hari bulan Ramadan. Penjualan tempahan awal sebanyak 1,500 daripada 3,000 bawcar yang ditawarkan habis terjual pada bulan lalu," katanya.

Menurutnya, bufet Ramadan hotel itu disediakan untuk 180 orang setiap hari, namun makanan yang disediakan tanpa had hingga pukul 10 malam.

Katanya, menu yang menjadi tarikan utama termasuk ayam goreng varuval, ikan keli masak lemak daun kesum, daging atau kambing gulai kawah bersama nasi Arab, lala masak lemak putih dan asam pedas ikan patin selain mi celup Lek Siam.

"Holiday Villa menyediakan pelbagai hidangan tradisional dan istimewa yang dimasak sendiri oleh ketua cef hotel," katanya.



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