Monetary Policy Statement (MPS) Snapshot: January 2025



What did we decide?

We kept the OPR unchanged at 3%

- This is in line with the health of the Malaysian economy and remains supportive of its continued growth
- The MPC remains vigilant to global developments and its impact on Malaysia's economy
- Financing continues to be available to households and businesses; with sustained credit growth

What's happening in the economy?

The Malaysian economy continues to expand

- Continued employment and wage growth, as well as domestic policy measures supporting household spending
- Higher exports are supported by global trade and higher tourist spending
- Private and public investment projects are progressing well
- The ringgit's movements continued to be mainly influenced by external developments



Inflation in 2024 averaged 1.8%, lower than in 2023



How do we see the economy in the future?

Continued strength in economic activity in 2025 amid global uncertainty; inflation is expected to remain manageable for the year

- Domestic investment activity will remain robust, supported by the continued progress of multi-year projects from private and public sectors
- Easing global costs and stable demand would limit the extent of price pressures
- Implementation of domestic policies would affect Malaysia's growth and inflation outlook, with the effects on inflation expected to be contained
- The lowering of interest rates in advanced economies, along with Malaysia's positive economic prospects will provide support to the ringgit
- The OPR continues to support growth while keeping inflation in check

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