FBM KLCI Semi-Annual Review

Strategy Report

Cut-off date: 24th November 2025
FTSE announcement date: 4th December 2025
Effective date: 22nd December 2025

Preview of the Upcoming December Review

Upcoming FBM KLCI review. It is about four weeks away from the cut-off date for the upcoming semi-annual review of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia (FBM) KLCI. It is likely that the current top 30 blue chips will remain status quo for the Dec-25 review, though our analysis showed that IOI Corp could be at the risk of removal, as it failed four months of liquidity test. It may be booted out if it fails the liquidity test again in Nov-25, and its vacancy will likely be taken up by Westports Holdings.

IOI Corp may fail liquidity test. Based on our estimates, IOI Corp was the only index constituent that did not meet the liquidity requirements for the months of Dec-24 (0.039%), Jun-25 (0.038%), Jul-25 (0.031%) and Aug-25 (0.036%). FTSE's ground rules require existing constituents to pass at least eight out of 12 months with a monthly median turnover of at least 0.040%. Meanwhile, no existing constituents have risen or fallen to the ranking thresholds based on market capitalisation at the moment. A security will only be inserted at a periodic review if it rises to 25th or above while a deletion will happen if a security falls to 36th or below.

Free float and liquidity requirements. Based on our estimates on the top 40 stocks as of Tuesday, all of them met the free float requirements of more than 15%. Other than IOI Corp, three non-constituents also failed to meet the liquidity requirements, namely Hong Leong Financial Group, KLCCP Stapled Group and Fraser & Neave Holdings.

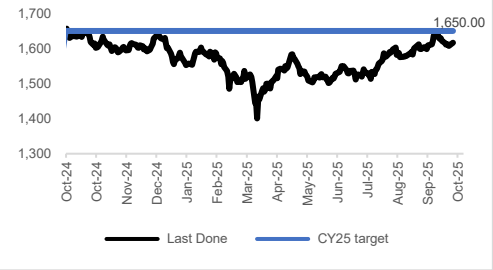
Minor change to reserve list. While the reserve list will largely remain the same, we expect the upcoming review to see Genting Malaysia being included into the list, replacing IOI Properties Group, pending further details on the timeline of the former's proposed privatisation.

Table 1: Reserve list

Current list	Expected new list
Genting	Westports Holdings
IOI Properties Group	United Plantations
KPJ Healthcare	Genting Malaysia
United Plantations	Genting
Westports Holdings	KPJ Healthcare

Source: Bloomberg, MBSBR

FBM KLCI CHART



Bursa Ticker	Rec.	TP (RM)
Existing		
MAYBANK	NEUTRAL	9.92
PBBANK	BUY	4.82
CIMB	BUY	8.22
TENAGA	BUY	16.40
IHH	BUY	8.18
PMETAL	-	-
HLBANK	BUY	21.71
CDB	NEUTRAL	3.67
PETGAS	NEUTRAL	19.25
SDG	NEUTRAL	5.43
SUNWAY	NEUTRAL	5.13
YTLPOWR	BUY	4.88
MISC	BUY	8.13
PCHEM	SELL	3.01
GAMUDA	BUY	6.35
MAXIS	BUY	4.19
YTL	TRADING BUY	2.99
RHBBANK	BUY	7.21
99SMART	-	-
TM	NEUTRAL	7.21
NESTLE	SELL	77.90
IOICORP	BUY	4.42
AXIATA	SELL	1.88
KLK	NEUTRAL	20.23
PETDAG	BUY	25.19
AMBANK	NEUTRAL	5.30
MRDIY	-	-
QL	NEUTRAL	4.33
PPB	NEUTRAL	11.02
SIME	-	-
Potential Inclusion		
-		
Potential Exclusion		
-		

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Table 1: Top 40 stocks by market capitalisation (as of 21 October 2025)

	Stock name	Share price (RM)	Full Market Cap (RM'b)	Free Float*	Free Float Adjusted Market Cap (RM'b)	Average monthly liquidity**	Current KLCI weightage*	New KLCI weightage*
1	Malayan Banking	9.90	119.60	51.02%	61.02	0.16%	9.89%	9.89%
2	Public Bank	4.27	82.88	76.48%	63.39	0.10%	10.28%	10.28%
3	CIMB Group Holdings	7.35	79.16	77.65%	61.47	0.21%	9.97%	9.97%
4	Tenaga Nasional	13.24	77.18	79.09%	61.04	0.13%	9.90%	9.90%
5	IHH Healthcare	8.30	73.34	31.85%	23.36	0.22%	3.79%	3.79%
6	Press Metal Aluminium Holdings	6.22	51.25	45.36%	23.25	0.13%	3.77%	3.77%
7	Hong Leong Bank	20.96	45.44	36.38%	16.53	0.10%	2.68%	2.68%
8	CelcomDigi	3.71	43.52	33.50%	14.58	0.06%	2.36%	2.36%
9	Petronas Gas	18.84	37.28	48.11%	17.94	0.06%	2.91%	2.91%
10	SD Guthrie	5.30	36.65	46.20%	16.93	0.10%	2.75%	2.75%
11	Sunway	5.55	34.55	50.05%	17.29	0.24%	2.80%	2.80%
12	YTL Power International	3.92	33.80	41.05%	13.87	0.33%	2.25%	2.25%
13	Misc	7.24	32.32	47.14%	15.24	0.08%	2.47%	2.47%
14	Petronas Chemicals Group	3.97	31.76	34.82%	11.06	0.17%	1.79%	1.79%
15	Gamuda	5.17	30.27	90.88%	27.51	0.39%	4.46%	4.46%
16	Maxis	3.80	29.77	37.30%	11.11	0.08%	1.80%	1.80%
17	YTL Corp	2.55	29.53	46.49%	13.73	0.32%	2.23%	2.23%
18	RHB Bank	6.70	29.22	83.05%	24.27	0.18%	3.94%	3.94%
19	99 Speed Mart Retail Holdings	3.30	27.72	16.97%	4.70	0.47%	0.76%	0.76%
20	Telekom Malaysia	7.18	27.55	79.11%	21.80	0.18%	3.53%	3.53%
21	Nestle (Malaysia)	109.50	25.68	27.17%	6.98	0.14%	1.13%	1.13%
22	Axiata Group	2.70	24.80	62.26%	15.44	0.11%	2.50%	2.50%
23	IOI Corp	3.97	24.63	45.93%	11.31	0.06%	1.83%	1.83%
24	Kuala Lumpur Kepong	20.76	23.12	50.32%	11.63	0.06%	1.89%	1.89%
25	Petronas Dagangan	22.54	22.39	35.13%	7.87	0.09%	1.28%	1.28%
26	Hong Leong Financial Group	17.08	19.56	18.87%	3.69	0.04%		
27	AMMB Holdings	5.70	18.85	86.06%	16.23	0.22%	2.63%	2.63%
28	Westports Holdings	5.33	18.24	30.57%	5.58	0.32%		
29	Mr D.I.Y. Group (M)	1.72	16.30	33.56%	5.47	0.35%	0.89%	0.89%
30	KLCCP Stapled Group	8.89	16.05	34.49%	5.54	0.06%		
31	QL Resources Bhd	4.30	15.70	45.45%	7.13	0.15%	1.16%	1.16%
32	PPB Group	10.90	15.51	43.36%	6.72	0.17%	1.09%	1.09%
33	United Plantations	23.66	14.72	44.81%	6.60	0.17%		
34	Sime Darby	2.11	14.38	55.74%	8.02	0.31%	1.30%	1.30%
35	Genting Malaysia	2.33	13.21	49.53%	6.54	0.31%		
36	Genting	3.35	12.90	53.26%	6.87	0.27%		
37	KPJ Healthcare	2.88	12.57	46.43%	5.84	0.52%		
38	IOI Properties Group	2.14	11.78	28.89%	3.40	0.15%		
39	Dialog Group	1.95	11.00	78.96%	8.69	0.16%		
40	Fraser & Neave Holdings	28.14	10.32	43.45%	4.48	0.05%		
				Current	**560.98**			
				Expected	**560.98**			

Source: Bloomberg, MBSBR
* - MBSBR estimates
** - Indicative figure
Highlighted in green - Current KLCI constituents

Table 3: FBM KLCI semi-annual review dates

Review period	Cut-off date	Preliminary announcement date	Official announcement date	Change implementation date	Effective date
Jun-25	26th May	4th June	5th June	20th June	23rd June
Dec-25	24th Nov	3rd Dec	4th Dec	19th Dec	22nd Dec
Jun-26	25th May	3rd June	4th June	19th June	22nd June

Table 4: FBM KLCI semi-annual review dates

Review period	Inclusion(s)	Exclusion(s)
Dec-14	-	-
Jun-15	Westports Holdings	Felda Global Ventures Holdings
Dec-15	-	-
Jun-16	Hap Seng Consolidated	UMW Holdings
Dec-16	IJM Corp	SapuraKencana Petroleum
Jun-17	-	-
Dec-17	Nestle (Malaysia), Press Metal Aluminium Holdings	British American Tobacco (Malaysia), IJM Corp
Jun-18	Hartalega Holdings, Dialog Group, Malaysia Airports Holdings	YTL Corp, AMMB Holdings, Astro Malaysia Holdings
Dec-18	Top Glove Corp, AMMB Holdings	KLCCP Stapled Group, Telekom Malaysia
Jun-19	-	-
Dec-19	-	-
Jun-20	Telekom Malaysia, KLCCP Stapled Group	AMMB Holdings, Malaysia Airports Holdings
Dec-20	Supermax	KLCCP Stapled Group
Jun-21	Mr DIY Group (M)	Supermax Corp
Dec-21	Inari Amertron	Hap Seng Consolidated
Jun-22	-	-
Dec-22	AMMB Holdings, QL Resources	Hartalega Holdings, Top Glove Corp
Jun-23	Westports Holdings	Inari Amertron
Dec-23	YTL Corp, YTL Power International	Dialog Group, Westports Holdings
Jun-24	Sunway	AMMB Holdings
Dec-24	Gamuda, 99 Speed Mart Retail Holdings	Genting Malaysia, Genting
Jun-25	AMMB Holdings	Hong Leong Financial Group

Source: LSEG/FTSE Russell & MBSBR

** - MBSBR estimates*

Table 5: Changes to the FBM KLCI that were out of the review period

Date	Inclusion	Exclusion	Reason
20th Nov-09	Maxis	Malaysian Airline System	Fast entry of Maxis following listing
26th May-10	Hong Leong Financial	Astro All Asia Networks	Unconditional takeover on Astro All Asia Networks
20th Sep-10	Gamuda	Tanjong	Unconditional takeover of Tanjong by Tanjong Capital
26th Nov-10	Petronas Chemicals Group	Berjaya Sports Toto	Fast entry of Petronas Chemicals Group following listing
13th Dec-11	UEM Land Holdings	Plus Expressways	Cash acquisition for Plus Expressways by multiple acquirers
1st Aug-12	IHH Healthcare	MMC	Fast entry of IHH following listing
21st Jan-14	IOI Properties Group	UEM Sunrise	Demerger and listing of IOI Properties Group

Source: LSEG/FTSE Russell & MBSBR

Appendix

FTSE Bursa Malaysia Index Series v6.1 - Ground Rules	
Section 4 - Index Construction	
4.2 A	Companies with a free float of 15% or below are excluded from the index
4.3.3 (excerpts)	Each security will be tested for liquidity semi-annually in June and December by calculation of its monthly median of daily trading volume
4.3.3 A	A minimum of five trading days in that month must exist, otherwise the month will be excluded from the test
4.3.3 B	- New issues and newly eligible securities that do not have a 12-month trading record must have a minimum 20 days' trading record - They must turnover at least 0.050% of their shares in issue (after the application of any investability weightings*) based on their median daily trading volume each month
4.3.3 C	A non-constituent must pass at least 10 out of 12 months with a monthly median turnover of at least 0.050% of their shares in issue (after the application of any investability weightings*) based on their median daily trading volume each month on a pro-rata basis since their listing
4.3.3 D	Existing constituents are required to pass at least 8 out of 12 months with a monthly median turnover of at least 0.040% of their shares in issue
4.3.3 E	At the sole discretion of FTSE Russell, the above percentage figures may be adjusted by up to 0.01% at a market review so that, in FTSE Russell's opinion, the index better reflects the liquid investable market of the region
Section 5 - Periodic review of constituent companies	
5.1.1	The semi-annual review of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia Index Series constituents takes place in June and December using data from the close of business on the Monday four weeks prior to the review effective date. Any constituent changes will be implemented after close of business on the third Friday (i.e. effective Monday) of June and December
5.3.3	A security will be inserted at the periodic review if it rises to 25th or above when the eligible Main Market securities are ranked by full market value
5.3.4	A security will be deleted at the periodic review if it falls to 36th or below when the eligible main market securities are ranked by full market value
5.7.1	FTSE Russell will be responsible for publishing the five highest-ranking non-constituents of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI at the time of the periodic review. The appropriate reserve list will be used if one or more constituents are deleted from the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI during the period up to the next semi-annual review
Section 6 - Changes to constituent companies	
6.3.1	If a new issue is so large (i.e. its full market capitalisation amounts to 2% or more of the full capitalisation of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia EMAS Index) that the effectiveness of the index as a market indicator would be significantly and adversely affected by its omission, the new issue will be included as a constituent of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI and the remaining FTSE Bursa Malaysia Indices that it qualifies for after the close of business on the fifth day of trading and eligibility will be determined using the closing price on the first day of trading. In all cases, advance notification confirming the timing of the inclusion of the new constituent will be given accordingly.

Source: LSEG/FTSE Russell

Free Float Restrictions v3.1		
Shareholder Type	**Shareholder Description**	**Restriction %**
Corporations and Employee Share Plans (ESOP)	Shares held by public companies, non-listed subsidiaries of public companies, private companies, employee share plans (ESOP), or holding companies.	0
Foundations	Shares held by foundations and endowments.	0
Government Agencies	Shares directly owned by state, regional, municipal and local governments (excluding shares held by independently managed pension schemes for governments).	0
Individual Investors	All individual holders disclosed within corporate filings will be restricted, regardless of amount. This includes disclosed officer and director holdings.	0
Portfolio Holdings	Where a single portfolio holding is 30% or greater, it will be regarded as strategic and therefore restricted. Examples of portfolio holdings may include shares held by: - Banks and Trusts - Finance Companies - Hedge Funds - Investment Advisors - Insurance Companies - Pension Funds - Investment Management Companies - Brokerage Firms - Mutual Funds - Exchange Traded Funds	30
Sovereign Wealth Funds	Shares that are held by sovereign wealth funds.	10
Treasury Shares	Shares that are held in treasury.	0
Venture Capital and Private Equity	Shares held by private equity firms and venture capital funds are generally considered restricted.	0

Source: LSEG/FTSE Russell

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STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

BUY	Total return is expected to be >10% over the next 12 months.
TRADING BUY	The stock price is expected to rise by >10% within 3 months after a Trading Buy rating has been assigned due to positive news flow.
NEUTRAL	Total return is expected to be between -10% and +10% over the next 12 months.
SELL	Total return is expected to be <-10% over the next 12 months.
TRADING SELL	The stock price is expected to fall by >10% within 3 months after a Trading Sell rating has been assigned due to negative news flow.

SECTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

POSITIVE	The sector is expected to outperform the overall market over the next 12 months.
NEUTRAL	The sector is to perform in line with the overall market over the next 12 months.
NEGATIVE	The sector is expected to underperform the overall market over the next 12 months.

ESG RECOMMENDATIONS* - source Bursa Malaysia and FTSE Russell

☆☆☆☆	Top 25% by ESG Ratings amongst PLCs in FBM EMAS that have been assessed by FTSE Russell
☆☆☆	Top 26-50% by ESG Ratings amongst PLCs in FBM EMAS that have been assessed by FTSE Russell
☆☆	Top 51%- 75% by ESG Ratings amongst PLCs in FBM EMAS that have been assessed by FTSE Russell
☆	Bottom 25% by ESG Ratings amongst PLCs in FBM EMAS that have been assessed by FTSE Russell

* ESG Ratings of PLCs in FBM EMAS that have been assessed by FTSE Russell in accordance with FTSE Russell ESG Ratings Methodology