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WEEKLY DIGEST

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ENERGY

Budget proposes green tax allowances through 2030

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Budget 2027 proposes green incentives through December 2030, including investment tax allowances up to 100% for qualifying projects, charging stations and own-use assets.

Northern Solar wins RM34 million solar contract

Bernama | 2026-10-07

Northern Solar received an EPCC appointment for a 9.50 MW plant, targeting commercial operation in May 2027. The client remains confidential under contract.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Budget commits RM15 billion to strengthen TNB grid

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Budget 2027 announces TNB's RM15 billion national-grid investment commitment. Completed works and additional connection capacity remain unconfirmed; the announcement does not establish capital already spent.

RM1.2 billion planned for higher-value chipmakers

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Khazanah and KWAP plan RM1.2 billion for domestic semiconductor companies entering higher-value segments. Budget 2027 also identifies follow-on equity through MTDC's SemiconStart programme.

SoftBank, Grab and PETROS explore Sarawak AI hub

PETROS | 2026-10-08

Their framework explores an AI and digital infrastructure platform in Sarawak through a phased roadmap and wider AI-value-chain opportunities. Capacity and financing remain undisclosed.

SMD plans 2027 GaN integration in Linyang products

SMD Semiconductor / The Sun | 2026-10-06

SMD plans QTech GaN integration into Jiangsu Linyang's smart-meter and storage products from 2027. Local deployment is planned before marketing across the wider ASEAN region.

INTELLIGENCE

Budget funds SME AI adoption and youth subscriptions

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Budget 2027 announces RM30 million for MDEC programmes targeting 4,000 MSMEs and 5,000 AI professionals, plus another 100,000 free AI subscriptions for youth.

JPDP opens consultation on AI and personal data

JPDP / Unified Public Consultation platform | 2026-10-05

JPDP opened consultation on its proposed AI and Personal Data Protection Framework on 5 October. Feedback on AI processing of personal data closes 23 October.

Risk-based AI Governance Bill planned for early 2027

Business Today | 2026-10-05

Digital Minister Gobind Singh Deo told Parliament the proposed AI Governance Bill is planned for early 2027. Drafting reportedly follows a risk-based approach.