



This week's spotlight

Land buys signal return of developer confidence

What's going on here?

The recent surge in land acquisitions by property developers has undoubtedly generated excitement and speculation regarding the outlook of the sector for this year.

What does this mean?

In June, the value of acquisitions by Mah Sing, UEM Sunrise and Sunway alone, reached a staggering RM800mil. This indicates that confidence levels are kicking back again and developers now are starting to look for larger pieces of land for township developments. However, there are speculations that acquisitions by big players is a weak indicator of the overall market condition. Due to the recent Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) hike, there was a slight decrease in loan application for home purchase in April. However, the average mortgage loan approval-to-application ratio improved over the period from April 2022 to March 2023 compared to the same period in the previous year, moving closer to the pre-pandemic level.

Why should I care?

NAPIC reported lower residential overhang in 1Q23, where the continued decline could be attributed to higher buying interest on property, following the reopening of the economy and the country's borders.

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