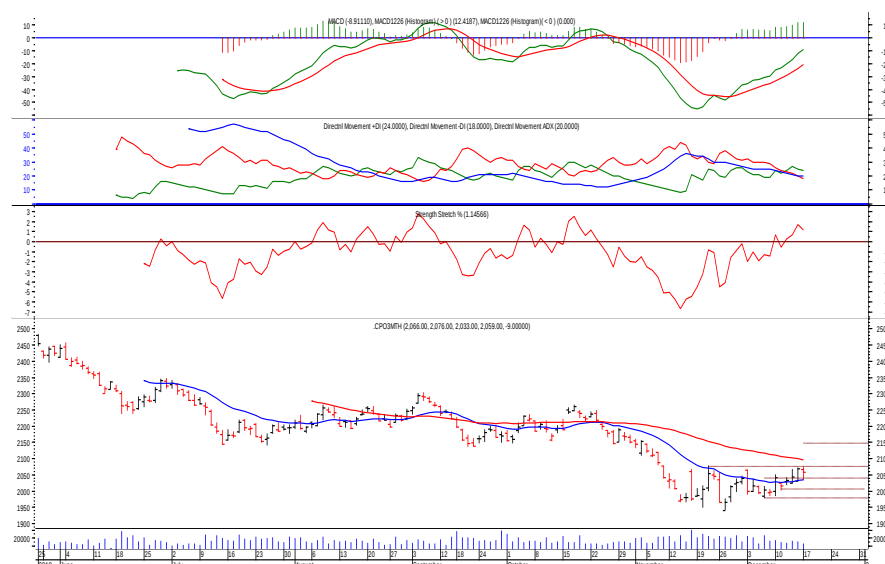




Malaysia, Crude Palm Oil Futures – Hurdle at RM2,095

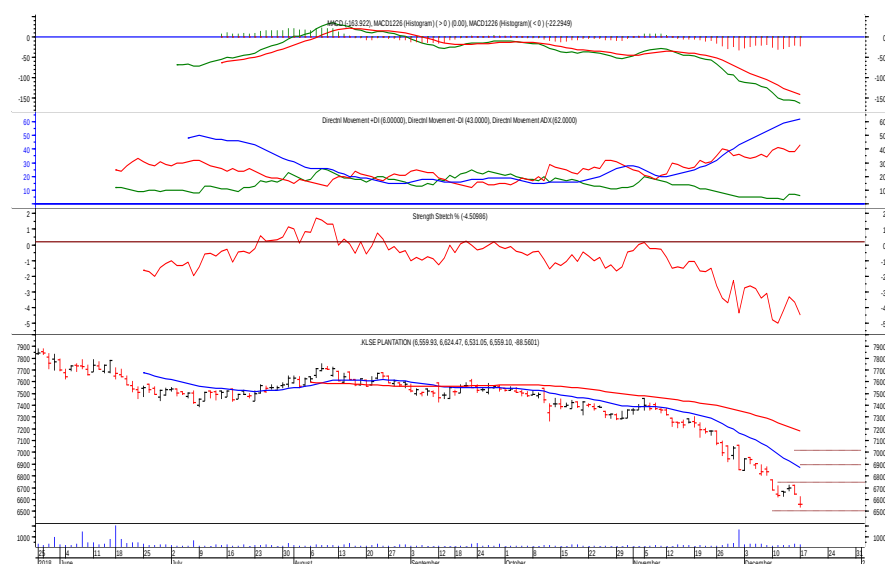


The Feb19 CPO Futures had on 17 December 2018 traded higher to RM2,076 before closing off the day's high at RM2,059 (-RM7, -0.33%).

Following the down close, the commodity is likely to move lower with immediate support at RM2,020. A fall below RM2,020 would put pressure on the commodity down to the subsequent support at RM2,000. Market hurdle is pegged at RM2,095. A crossover of RM2,095 should see a test of next resistance at RM2,130.

The moving average analysis shows that the commodity is in a downtrend with sideways bias as the shorter 20-day MA line (blue) is below the longer 50-day MA line (red) and the gap between these 2 MA lines is seen narrowing.

KLSE Plantation Index – Gapped down



The Plantation Index had on 17 December 2018 gapped down to reach a low of 6,531.05 before settling at 6,559.10 (-88.56, -1.33%).

Following the down close, the Plantation Index is likely to move lower again with immediate support at 6,500. A fall below 6,500 would put pressure on the sub-index down to the subsequent support at 6,335. Market hurdle is pegged at 6,642. A crossover of 6,642 should see a test of next resistance at 6,720.

Stock decliners that contributed to the fall in this sub-index include Simeplt (-RM0.13, -2.93%), IOICorp (-RM0.10, -2.33%), and GenP (-RM0.23, -2.35%).

The moving average analysis shows that the Plantation Index is in a downtrend as the shorter 20-day MA (blue) line is below the longer 50-day MA line (red).

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Glossary of technical terms commonly used

Moving Average (MA)	An indicator frequently used in technical analysis showing the average value of a security's price over a set period.
Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD)	A trend-following momentum indicator that shows the relationship between two moving averages of prices. The MACD is calculated by subtracting the 26-day exponential moving average (EMA) from the 12-day EMA. A 9-day EMA of the MACD, called the "signal line", is then plotted on top of the MACD, functioning as a trigger for buy and sell signals.
Stochastic	A technical momentum indicator that compares a security's closing price to its price range over a given time period. The indicator's sensitivity to market movements can be reduced by adjusting the time period or by taking a moving average of the result.
Average True Range (ATR)	A measure of volatility introduced by Welles Wilder whereby the indicator is the greatest of the following: - current high less the current low; - the absolute value of the current high less the previous close; - the absolute value of the current low less the previous close;
Bollinger Band	A band plotted 2 standard deviations away from a simple moving average, developed by John Bollinger.
On-Balance Volume (OBV)	A method used in technical analysis to detect momentum, the calculation of which relates volume to price change. OBV provides a running total of volume and shows whether this volume is flowing in or out of a given security. This indicator was developed by Joe Granville.
Support	The price level which, historically, a stock has had difficulty falling below. It is thought of as the level at which a lot of buyers tend to enter the stock.
Resistance	The price at which a stock or market can trade, but not exceed, for a certain period of time. Often referred to as "resistance level".
Reversal	A change in the direction of a price trend. On a price chart, reversals undergo a recognizable change in the price structure. An uptrend, which is a series of higher highs and higher lows, reverses into a downtrend by changing to a series of lower highs and lower lows. A downtrend, which is a series of lower highs and lower lows, reverses into an uptrend by changing to a series of higher highs and higher lows.
Divergence	When the price of an asset and an indicator, index or other related asset move in opposite directions.
Overbought	In technical analysis, this term describe a situation in which the price of a security has risen to such a degree – usually on high volume – that an oscillator has reached its upper bound. This is generally interpreted as a sign that the price of the asset is becoming overvalued and may experience a pullback.
Oversold	A situation in technical analysis where the price of an asset has fallen to such a degree – usually on high volume – that oscillator has reached a lower bound. This is generally interpreted as a sign that the price of the asset is becoming undervalued and may represent a buying opportunity for investors.

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