



Pengawalan Mata Wang Sendiri Selamat Tinggal lembaga Suruhanjaya Matawang!, 1967

Taking Control of Our Own Money- Bye Bye Currency Board!, 1967



Menteri Kewangan, Tan Siew Sin, bersama-sama Gabenor Ismail, menunjukkan matawang Malaysia yang baharu kepada wartawan, 29 April 1967
Minister of Finance Tan Siew Sin, accompanied by Governor Ismail, shows reporters the new Malaysian currency, 29 April 1967

The entire exercise proved to be the largest cash movement in the country's history as the old Malayan dollars (M\$) issued by the Currency Board since 1897 had to be replaced.

By the end of 1967, M\$767 million of new currency was already in circulation. The notes, after its arrival via ships from the printers in the UK, were transported in lorries, airplanes, and boats.

There was no ceremony marking the issue as bank staff were too busy, even the economists were physically counting cash. However the first four sets which began with the serial number A000001 were given to Yang di-Pertuan Agong, the Prime Minister, the Deputy Prime Minister, and the Finance Minister.

Malaysia finally issued its own currency, the Malaysian dollars (M\$) on 12 June 1967!



Sebahagian orang ramai yang berkumpul di Cawangan Kuala Lumpur, Bank Negara Malaysia untuk menukar matawang lama mereka dengan yang baharu, 21 November 1967. Banyak lagi yang terpaksa menunggu di luar
Part of the large crowd that gathered at the Bank's Kuala Lumpur branch to change their old currency for new, 21 November 1967. Many more had to wait outside

Sejarah membuktikan gerakan tunai ini adalah gerakan tunai terbesar dalam sejarah negara kerana dolar Malaya lama (M\$) yang dikeluarkan oleh Lembaga Suruhanjaya Matawang sejak 1897 terpaksa ditukar.

Menjelang akhir tahun 1967, wang kertas baharu sebanyak M\$767 juta telah pun berada dalam edaran. Selepas ketibaan wang kertas melalui kapal laut dari pencetak di UK, ia dibawa menggunakan lori, kapal terbang, dan bot.

Tiada majlis perasmian bagi menandakan pengeluaran wang kertas ini kerana kakitangan bank terlalu sibuk, bahkan ahli ekonomi turut membantu mengira wang tunai. Walau bagaimanapun, empat set pertama yang bermula dengan nombor siri A000001 telah diberikan kepada Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Perdana Menteri, Timbalan Perdana Menteri, dan Menteri Kewangan ketika itu.

Malaysia akhirnya mengeluarkan mata wang sendiri, dolar Malaysia (M\$) pada 12 Jun 1967!