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KUALA LUMPUR: Share prices on Bursa Malaysia were higher at close today on continuous bargain hunting activities in selected heavyweights after Monday's correction, dealers said. One of the dealers said a string of positive corporate results due later Tuesday also contributed to most gains.

At the end of afternoon session, the FTSE Bursa Malaysia Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (FBM KLCI) rose 9.23 points to 1,335.9, pushed by gains mostly in CIMB Group.

The FBM KLCI which opened 2.86 points higher at 1,329.53, moved between 1,329.37 and 1,335.9 during trade Tuesday.

The Finance Index surged 131.979 points to 12,014.56, the Plantation Index increased 21.37 points to 6,515.08, the Industrial Index added 14.92 points to 2,769.68 and the FBM Emas Index advanced 66.341 points to 9,052.36.

The FBM70 increased 63.14 points to 8,997.51 and the FBM Ace Index went up 22.01 points to 4,165.09.

Advancers led decliners by 456 to 230 while

293 counters were unchanged, 384 untraded and 29 others suspended.

Total volume declined to 796.609 million shares worth RM1.218 billion from Monday's closing of 812.973 million shares worth RM1.21 billion. Volume on the Main Market declined to 611.405 million shares worth RM1.179 billion from 645.018 million shares worth RM1.149 billion Monday. The ACE market volume, however rose to 97.558 million shares valued at RM11.696 million from Monday's closing of 66.456 million shares worth RM13.757 million.

Warrants' volume decreased to 67.172 million valued at RM13.532 million from 72.032 million units worth RM14.096 million registered Monday.

Top gainers, Top Glove Corporation rose 40 sen to RM12.80, CIMB Group added 30 sen to RM14.24 and Dutch Lady Milk was 22 sen higher at RM12.30.

Among actives, Privasia Technology added one sen to 10 sen, KNM Group shed half sen to 62 sen while Scomi Group edged up 2.5 sen to 48.5 sen. — Bernama