

7 January

Public Bank launched the Visa Platinum Card which offers an array of tangible benefits such as Mega Bonus of 1% which translates to cash back on retail purchases. The package also include a comprehensive insurance package which covers travel insurance up to RM3M for personal accident coverage and purchase protection.

18 January

Public Bank was awarded the Best Bank in Malaysia Award and the 5th Malaysia Best Managed Companies award by the Asiamoney Magazine. Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow, the President/CEO received the awards from Mr. William Goodhart, editor of Asiamoney at a presentation ceremony held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

7 February

A Chinese New Year dinner was hosted by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow for about 230 staff and guests from the Public Bank Group at the Renaissance Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

15 – 17 February

Public Bank Vientiane branch donated Kip 1 million to the Laos Trade Union Foundation to assist in its hosting of the 4th Major Conference of Trade Union in Lao PDR. More than 200 participants from Laos, China and Vietnam attended the conference.

24 February

A double bonus offer through the reduction of interest rates and the enhancement of its existing loan packages for purchase or refinancing of residential and commercial properties popularly known as the 5 HOME Plan, MORE Plan and SWIFT Plan was offered by Public Bank for the auspicious dragon year celebrations. For the convenience of applicants, a total of 42 selected branches nationwide were opened on consecutive Sundays, i.e. 27 February and 5 March 2000 to process and approve new loan applications.

8 March

In collaboration with Visa International, Public Bank launched the PR Advantage debit card at the concourse of Sg. Wang Plaza. This is the first Visa Electron debit card in Malaysia and is accepted at over eight million outlets all over the world with the convenience of cash withdrawal at over 500,000 Visa/Plus ATMs.

9 March

A signing ceremony between Public Bank and Tenaga Nasional Berhad was held at Menara Public Bank. This over-the-counter collection service arrangement enables consumers to facilitate the payment of electricity bills at all Public Bank and Public Finance 345 branches nationwide.

15 March

Thirty-three selected branch managers nationwide and Head Office Senior Management staff attended a working session held at the 32nd floor of Menara Public Bank, to deliberate on marketing and business strategies for the Bank for the year 2000.

21 March

The Far Eastern Economic Review magazine once again listed Public Bank among the top 10 Malaysia's Leaders for its Review 200 Asia's Leading Companies survey. Some 90 multinational companies in Asia attended the award presentation ceremony which was held at the Shangri-La Hotel, Hong Kong.

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Public Bank and Public Finance launched the Customer Care Campaign Phase Three with the theme 'Our Service Commitment Continues'. The launch was held at the Grand Lobby of Menara Public Bank and was officiated by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow.

8 April

Y.Bhg. Datuk Tay Ah Lek, Executive Director of Public Bank, was among five distinguished personalities who were bestowed the IBBM's Fellowship Award at the Institute's third Graduation and Awards Ceremony which was held at the Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur.

10 April

Public Bank PR Advantage Visa Electron Debit Card was recognised at the Asia Pacific Member Conference held in Bangkok. The Bank was presented with an award 'First Off The Block' for being the first Visa Electron Card within the Asia Pacific Region to offer an array of benefits.

21 April

Public Bank was one of the seven participating banks at the Interbank GIRO Payment System's signing ceremony which was held at the Nikko Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. This entailed the signing of a service agreement which covers issues on shared ATM Network, Payment Gateway System and the Interbank GIRO System.

21 April

In support of the Youth Leadership Programme organised by the Tun Razak Foundation, Public Bank sponsored RM11,700 worth of the publication entitled 'Tun Razak – Jejak Bertapak Seorang Patriot'. The sponsorship was presented by En. Razak Dali, Director of Public Affairs Division to Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Abdullah Mohd. Salleh, Chairman of the Tun Razak Foundation at the closing ceremony held at the Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur.

27 April

A donation of Public Bank's souvenir items of 25 caps and umbrellas were presented to the sports carnival organised by the School's Audit Division, Selangor of the Ministry of Education. The donation was presented by Cik Azian Shariff, Senior Manager of Corporate Communications, Public Affairs Division to Ms. Ch'ng Kum Kum, Chairman of the Welfare Funds of the Schools' Audit Division.

8 May

Public Bank Papar branch was relocated to its new premises which is bigger and more comfortable.

11 May

A blood donation clinic was held at the Grand Lobby of Menara Public Bank. The mobile clinic received overwhelming response from 183 donors comprising of Public Bank staff and the public.

25 May

Public Bank was bestowed the Asian Banking Awards 2000 for the Most Outstanding Customer Service Programme category in a ceremony held at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton Hotel. Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow received the award from Y.Bhg. Dato' Salleh Harun, Deputy Governor of Bank Negara Malaysia.

1 June

The Bai Al-Einah Personal Financing was launched by the Bank to assist customers with their personal expenditures such as financing for their cars, houses or children's education. This new product was based on the Islamic concept of Bai Al-Einah and was offered to Government servants, statutory bodies and Government agencies.

6 June

A signing ceremony was held for the purchase of HKD700 million of three years Floating Rate Certificates of Deposit to be issued by Public Bank. The signing ceremony was held at Menara Public Bank between eight distinguished banking institutions arranged by Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited which was also the Lead Manager.

9 June

Public Bank and Public Finance upgraded their PB Telebanking service whereby customers can now conduct selected banking transactions from the comfort of their home, in their office or from anywhere in the world where there is a touch-tone phone.

26 June

Public Bank contributed RM10,000 towards the WWF Malaysia Flag Day 2000 to assist WWF Malaysia in their conservation work. The cheque was presented by En. Razak Dali, the Director of Public Affairs Division to Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Khir Johari, the President of WWF Malaysia at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

26 June

A signing ceremony of the merger agreement between Public Bank and Hock Hua Bank was held at Menara Public Bank. The agreement was signed by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Thong Yaw Hong, Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow, Y.Bhg. Datuk Tay Ah Lek, on behalf of Public Bank and Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Datuk Amar Ling Beng Siew, Mr. Ting Sik Kang, and Y.Bhg. Datuk Lau Hieng Ing, of Hock Hua Bank.

27 June

Public Finance 34th Annual General Meeting was held at the Equatorial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

28 June

Our bank held its 34th Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. It was attended by some 1,200 shareholders. The AGM was chaired by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Thong Yaw Hong, the Chairman of Public Bank.

3 July

In conjunction with the 'Hari Pekerja dan Hari Bomba', Public Bank contributed RM7,900 towards the publication of 50,000 copies of the special issue of 'Kesatuan Pekerja Bomba dan Penyelamat' newsletters.

4 July

The Pingat Bestari, Hadiah Bestari Muda and Sekolah Bestari Public Bank for the year 1998 and 1999 awards presentation ceremony was held at the Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. Y.B. Datuk Dr. Fong Chan Onn, the Human Resources Minister presented the awards to 62 students and four schools.

9 July

Public Bank was the first bank to lift the new Arab-Malaysian Cup (FA Cup) after defeating the RHB Bank 4-2 in the FA Cup final match at the Stadium Shah Alam.

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The 15th Hadiah Sastera Utusan Melayu-Public Bank awards were presented to 30 winners at the Concorde Hotel, Kuala Lumpur by Y.B. Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob, the Information Minister.

A total of 33 prizes under four categories, i.e. short stories for the young, short stories, poems, and novels for the young were awarded to the winners.

19 July

Public Bank emerged champion of the Governor's Cup National Football League 2000 after defeating Maybank 5-4 during the final match at the Kuala Lumpur Football Association Stadium, Cheras.

31 July

Public Bank donated a sum of RM10,000 towards the Tunku Kurshiah College's (TKC) school band. The donation is to assist TKC in purchasing and maintaining the band equipments, uniforms and other items.

4 August

The Sultan Abdul Hamid Old Collegians Associations (SAHOCA) Education Fund received a donation of RM100,000 for the implementation of smart school projects for the future generation. The donation was presented by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow to the President of SAHOCA, Y.A.B. Dato' Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

5 August

Mardi Gras Carnivale was the theme for Public Bank's 34th Anniversary Banquet held at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. About 1,500 staff attended this event, mostly attired in the Mardi Gras mood with Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow as the Guest-Of-Honour.

5 August

A branch managers' seminar was held at Menara Public Bank. The seminar was attended by all the Public Bank branch managers, 32 Head Office staff and Management staff, Hock Hua Selangor and Wilayah branch managers and some Senior Management from Public Finance. The half day seminar was officiated by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow.

16 August

Public Bank and Public Finance were the first and only financial institutions to participate in the BonusLink customer loyalty programme. A signing ceremony was held at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

17 August

Public Bank together with Maybank and RHB Bank launched their respective Business to Business (B2B) e-commerce trading hubs, which enabled the banks to facilitate funds settlement through a virtual 'payment card'. The launch was held at the J.W Marriot Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

18 August

The Islamic Banking Division signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the Bai Al-Einah Personal Financing with the Islamic Welfare Association and the Inland Revenue Department. The event was held at the Government Complex Building Jalan Duta, Kuala Lumpur.

19 August

Public Bank Kuala Lumpur and Selangor branches celebrated their 34th Anniversary Dinner at the Grand Ballroom, Shangri-La Hotel Kuala Lumpur. About 1,440 staff attended the dinner with the theme Freakout 2000. The event was graced by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow.

12 September

The Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange held its inaugural KLSE Investors' Week at the Exchange Square from 12 – 16 September 2000. Public Bank sponsored RM10,000 and the Bank's products and services were showcased at a booth during the week.

18 September

Our customers in Temerloh had a new and more comfortable banking environment as our Temerloh branch was relocated to a new premises.

24 September

Campu Bank donated five tons of rice and USD400 to the flood victims of Cambodia. The staff of Campu Bank were accompanied to the affected villages by the Under Secretary of State, Minister of Tourism and officials from the National Committee for Disaster to hand over their contributions.

27 September

In conjunction with the merger conversion between Public Bank and Hock Hua Bank, a briefing for Hock Hua Bank branch managers was held at Menara Public Bank. Thereafter a luncheon was hosted by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow followed by a tour of Menara Public Bank for the Hock Hua branch managers.

28 September

A group of 33 participants from the 19th Central Banking Course organised by Bank Negara Malaysia visited Public Bank. The guests include participants from Sudan, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Cambodia, Kyrgyz Republic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Guinea, India, and Bostswana.

29 September

Thirty-nine students from the Kolej Mas of Universiti Utara Malaysia visited Menara Public Bank. The main objective of the visit was to find out more on career opportunities in the banking industry.

30 September

The Phoenix Welfare Foundation received a donation of RM3,000 from Public Bank for the Foundation's Charity Dinner 2000 which was held at the Royal Selangor Club Kuala Lumpur. The Foundation is a voluntary organisation dedicated in promoting welfare activities and providing financial assistance and support for the less fortunate community.

12 October

Public Bank won the inaugural KLSE Corporate Excellence Award 2000 for the Main Board Category and the KLSE Corporate Sectoral Award for the Finance and Closed End Fund Category. The awards were presented by Y.Bhg. Datuk Mohd. Nor Mohd. Yusof, Advisor to the Minister of Finance to Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow at the Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

20 October

Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow visited five Public Bank branches in the Johore Region in conjunction with the Johore Region's 34th Anniversary Dinner which was held at the Eden Garden Hotel, Johor Bahru.

21 October

The Public Bank Group Johore Region celebrated their 34th Anniversary Dinner at the Eden Garden Hotel, Johor Bahru with the theme 'Celebrity Night'. A total of 850 staff attended the event which was graced by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow.

23 October

Public Bank Jalan Tun H .S. Lee branch moved to a new and bigger premises.



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Y.Bhg. Dato' Lee Kong Lam, the Executive Vice President of Public Bank was conferred the Darjah Indera Mahkota Pahang (DIMP) by His Royal Highness, the Sultan of Pahang. The DIMP is the most distinguished order of the crown of Pahang, with the status of Knight Commander.

27 October

VID Public Bank was recently conferred with two 'Flag of Honour' awards from the Government of Vietnam as the Best Bank in Vietnam for BIDV's excellent fulfillment of duties in 1999 and another award from the Governor of the State of Vietnam as the Best Commercial Bank in the banking industry in Vietnam.

In conjunction with the 33rd VID Public Bank Board Meeting, Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow presented the Bank for Investment and Development of Vietnam (BIDV), our joint venture partner in VID Public Bank, a pewter dragon plaque.

3 November

Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow and his entourage of Senior Management staff visited Public Bank and Public Finance branches in Kuching in conjunction with the Sarawak Region's 34th Anniversary Dinner celebration.

4 November

The Sarawak Region Public Bank Group celebrated their 34th Anniversary Dinner at the Crowne Plaza Riverside Kuching, Sarawak. More than 900 staff from the Public Bank Group and Hock Hua Bank throughout Sarawak attended the grand dinner celebration with the theme 'Dance With The Tribes' which was graced by Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow.

7 November

Public Bank sponsored WISE Savings account for the winners of the Historical Web Profile 2000 competition organised by the Federal Territory Education Department for secondary schools. The purpose of this competition is to instill the interest of history from various sources by surfing the websites and thus improve the students' skills on information technology.

8 November

Public Bank won the Industry Excellence Awards for the Finance sector under the Main Board category at the National Annual Corporate Report Awards (NACRA). The awards were presented by the Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Malaysia, Y.B. Tan Sri Dato' Hj. Muhyiddin bin Hj. Mohd Yassin at the Palace of the Golden Horses, Kuala Lumpur.

9 November

Public Bank participated as the main banker in the Young Enterprise Programme organised by the American Chamber of Commerce. Y.A.Bhg. Datin Seri Dr. Siti Hasmah Mohd. Ali, wife of our Prime Minister, presented the awards to the winners at a ceremony held at the Parkroyal Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

9 – 10 November

Public Bank sponsored more than RM1,000 worth of corporate souvenir items for the 21st Ministry of Health Sports Carnival 2000 which was held at the University Technology Mara, Selangor.

10 November

A signing ceremony was held between Celcom (M) Sdn. Bhd. and Public Bank for the purchase of Celcom Prepaid Mobile Recharge Code through Public Bank and Public Finance ATMs nationwide.

13 November

Public Bank's Bahasa Malaysia annual report won the 'Anugerah Citra Bahasa' award which was organised by 'Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka' under the Programme for the Promotion of the National Language in the Private Sector. Y.Bhg. Datuk Tay Ah Lek received the award from Y.B. Dato' Haji Mohd. Khalid Mohd. Yunus, the Deputy Minister of Information Malaysia at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

17 November

Public Bank donated RM100,000 to Yayasan Budi Penyayang (PENYAYANG), a charity organisation launched by Y.A.B. Dato' Seri Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi at the Sunway Lagoon Resort Hotel, Selangor.

18 November

Public Bank football team outclassed the Edaran Otomobil Nasional team to win the Selangor Dunhill League Cup for the fourth time at the Stadium Shah Alam.

21 November

Public Bank sponsored RM5,000 towards the Malaysian Institute of Directors' dinner which was held at the Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur to honour the MID Fellows award.

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Public Bank edged Kelab Sultan Sulaiman 3-1 in a penalty shoot-out final at Stadium MPPJ, Petaling Jaya to win the coveted trophy of the Selangor FA Cup and completing a record of winning all the four titles for the year 2000.

4 December

Public Bank Taman Johor Jaya branch was relocated to a new premises for the convenience of its customers.

13 December

Public Bank hosted a special dinner at the Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur for Y.Bhg. Dato' Lee Kong Lam who was conferred the Darjah Indera Mahkota Pahang, by His Royal Highness, the Sultan of Pahang. About 230 staff of the Bank and subsidiaries attended the dinner.

13 December

Public Bank was voted as the Best Bank in Malaysia by the Global Finance magazine in their Best Banks 2000 Annual Awards. Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Teh Hong Piow received the award at a presentation ceremony at the Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

18 December

Public Bank Kota Kinabalu branch was relocated to a new and bigger premises for its customers' convenience.

Public Bank group pre-tax profit increases four-fold to RM838mil

PUBLIC BANK TRACK RECORD (RMmil)

PBB posts 4-fold rise in profit to RM838.17mil

Public Bank draws good ratings

Public Bank catat untung RM838.2 juta

Public Bank dinaikkan penarafan kepada AA1

大众銀行集团盈利增4倍至8.3亿

Public Bank sees over 12% loan growth

Untung Public Bank naik 4 kali ganda

大衆銀行貸款成長今年預測超過12%

Strong showing by Public Bank

Public Bank announces 78.9pc jump in pre-tax profit

10 May 2000

Wednesday – Announcement of unaudited consolidated results for the financial quarter ended 31 March 2000.

2 August 2000

Wednesday – Announcement of unaudited consolidated interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2000.

8 November 2000

Wednesday – Announcement of unaudited consolidated results for the financial quarter ended 30 September 2000.

30 January 2001

Tuesday – Announcement of audited consolidated results and the proposed payment of dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2000.

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13 February 2001

Tuesday – Issue of Notice of 35th Annual General Meeting, Notice of Dividend Payment, and Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2000.

8 March 2001

Thursday – 35th Annual General Meeting.

9 March 2001

Friday – Date of entitlement to the tax-exempt final dividend of 15.0% for the financial year ended 31 December 2000.

27 March 2001

Tuesday – Date of payment of the tax-exempt final dividend of 15.0% for the financial year ended 31 December 2000.