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**KUALA LUMPUR:** Petroliaam Nasional Bhd (Petronas) and its petroleum arrangement contractors (PACs) have recorded 10 hydrocarbon discoveries in Malaysia this year.

Eight oil and gas (O&G) discoveries were made off the coast of Sarawak, followed by one each off the coast of Sabah and Peninsular Malaysia, said the national oil firm yesterday.

The largest discovery was made by Petronas Carigali Sdn Bhd at the Nahara-1 well in Block SK306 of Sarawak's Balingian province.

Discoveries were also made in Sarawak's Central Luconia, Western Luconia and Baram provinces, said Petronas.

Within Central Luconia, Shell

made discoveries at the Inai-1 and Temu-1 wells in the MLNG Block, while Mubadala Energy found gas in Block SK320 at the Cengkih-1 well.

In the province of Western Luconia, ConocoPhillips drilled three exploration wells in Block WL4-00 and discovered gas at the Gagau-1 well, while the Salam-3 and Benum-2 wells confirmed the extension of O&G accumulations in adjacent fault blocks.

In the matured Baram province, PTT Exploration and Production made another gas discovery in Block SK410B through the Paprika-1 well.

In ultra-deepwater Sabah, TotalEnergies made an O&G discov-

ery at the Tepat-2 well in Block N within the emerging Sabah Trough province, further proving the extent of the earlier O&G discovery of Tepat-1 in 2018.

Off the coast of Peninsular Malaysia, Hess found a new gas reservoir at the Bergading Deep-4 well in Block PM302 within the North Malay Basin.

Petronas senior vice-president (Malaysia Petroleum Management) Mohamed Firouz Asnan said it had been a good year for exploration in Malaysia.

"I am very pleased with the increased exploration activities, where 16 wells were completed, with two more in progress, doubling the figure from last year."

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