

PRESS STATEMENT MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA

UPDATES ON THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION IN MALAYSIA

Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

27 April 2020 – The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **95** cases have fully recovered and discharged well today, making the Cumulatively, **3,957** confirmed COVID-19 cases have been discharged well (67.9% of total cumulative cases). Again, the number of cases discharged well is more than double the number of additional cases reported today.

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

27 April 2020, 12 pm – A total of **40 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **5,820 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 1,764 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have been isolated and provided treatment.

Currently, **37 confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICU)**, and of these, 17 cases are on ventilation support.

Regretfully, **one (1) additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH. Cumulatively, there are now **99 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.7% of total cumulative cases):

1. **Death #99**: Case 4,087 is a 78 year-old Malaysian man with a history of diabetes, hypertension and stroke. He was admitted into Enche' Besar Hajjah Khalsom Hospital, Johor on 7 April 2020 and was pronounced dead on 27 April 2020 at 4.31 am.

MOH conveys condolences to the family members.

Movements of Students in Institutions of Higher Education to Return Home

As announced by the Minister of Higher Education, students at Public and Private Institutions of Higher Education, Polytechnics and Community Colleges have been allowed to begin the gradual movement to return to their respective homes from 27 April 2020.

As a result of collaboration and discussion between the Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) and MOH, a guideline has been developed that covers the health aspects for students who wish to return home. The respective University Health Centres will conduct screening for students (body temperature, symptoms of cough, colds, sore throat or shortness of breath) before being allowed to travel.

During the journey, students are advised to always comply to the following precautionary and preventive measures:

- Practice safe social distancing of at least 1 meter away from others
- Maintain good personal hygiene, regularly washing hands with water and soap
- · Wearing face masks throughout the journey is encouraged

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH strongly urges the public to remain in compliance with the Movement Control Order (MCO). For heads of households who need to go out to buy everyday necessities, they should always take precautionary measures such as:

- · Avoid leaving the house if unwell or have any symptoms
- Avoid leaving the house as a couple or in groups
- Use hand sanitisers or wash hands with water and soap before and after purchasing products
- Practice safe social distancing at least 1 metre away from others
- Avoid the 3C's: Crowded places, Confined spaces and Close conversations (face-to-face conversations)
- Limit time spent outside in public and crowded places
- The use of facemasks is encouraged, especially in public and crowded areas

These measures can help to break the COVID-19 infection transmission chain.

MOH will continue to monitor the development of the COVID-19 situation based on all available information, and the public will be continuously updated on the latest information.

Thank you.

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27 April 2020 @ 4.30 pm

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 27 April 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	95
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	1	253
Selangor	4	1,398
Negeri Sembilan	1	435
Melaka	0	193
Johor	0	659
Pahang	0	288
Terengganu	0	110
Kelantan	0	155
Sabah	1	312
Sarawak	3 (1)	488
WP Kuala Lumpur	30 (4)	1,200
WP Putrajaya	0	79
WP Labuan	0	16
Total	40 (5)	5,820

^{*()} refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 cases