

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

1 May 2020 – The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **39** cases have fully recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively**, **4,210 confirmed COVID-19 cases have fully recovered** (69.3% of total cumulative cases).

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

1 May 2020, 12 pm – A total of **69 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **6,071 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 1,758 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have been isolated and provided treatment.

Of these 69 additional cases reported today, **12 are imported cases**. The remaining 57 cases are due to local transmission.

Currently, **37 confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICU)**, and of these, 14 cases are on ventilation support.

Regretfully, **one (1) additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now **103 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.69% of total cumulative cases):

1. **Death #103**: Case 5,441 is a 66 year-old Malaysian man with a history of cancer. He was a close contact to a confirmed COVID-19 case (Case 4,818). He was admitted into Kuala Lumpur Hospital on 14 April 2020 and was pronounced dead on 30 April 2020 at 4.00 pm.

MOH conveys condolences to the family members.

Labour Day, 1 May 2020

In conjunction with today's Labour Day, 1 May 2020, MOH would like to take the opportunity to wish Happy Labour Day to all workers in Malaysia, especially healthcare workers (HCWs) and frontliners from the public sector, private sector, volunteers and non-governmental organisations. Likewise, workers behind the scenes also have important roles in ensuring preparedness and smooth response in the field.

MOH also takes this opportunity to thank all staff from various agencies who have been directly and indirectly involved in assisting MOH to reduce the spread of COVID-19 infection in Malaysia. Indeed, health is our collective responsibility. The COVID-19 pandemic has seen all Malaysians coming together, including various sectors and agencies, in playing their part to contain the COVID-19 infection in Malaysia together.

Compliance to the Standard Operating Procedures under the Conditional Movement Control Order

Earlier today, the Prime Minister has announced that on 4th May 2020, Malaysia will be opening several economy sectors with caution and under a controlled manner, subject to the conditions and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) set by the authorities under the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO).

MOH welcomes the announcement by the Prime Minister, who emphasised the importance of compliance with all SOPs, that included:

- Practice safe social distancing of at least 1 metre from others
- Regular hand washing with water and soap, or use hand sanitisers
- Use of facemasks
- Health screening at the entrance of premises
- Prioritising protecting at-risk groups such as children, infants, older adults and the disabled
- Unwell and symptomatic individuals are required to seek early treatment
- The number of passengers in public transportations must take into account safe social distancing
- Encourage online transactions
- Report to the State Department of Health immediately if there is any information on COVID-19 infection

The Prime Minister also stressed that public gatherings and activities that expose the public to the risk of COVID-19 infection are still prohibited.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

All employers and employees are advised to familiarise and practice the new normal in life and work practices to ensure that the transmission of COVID-19 infection can be prevented. This is of utmost importance, so that all measures that have been implemented all this while to break the transmission chain of COVID-19 infection can continue to be effective.

MOH will continue to monitor the development of the COVID-19 situation in Malaysia. The public are advised to continue to stay at home and leave the house only for essential matters and business. The public must also maintain high levels of personal hygiene at all times, such as regular hand washing with water and soap, and practice safe social distancing of at least 1 metre away from others. These measures are important to break the transmission chain of COVID-19 infection in the community.

MOH will continue to monitor the latest development of this infection through information obtained from the World Health Organization (WHO). The public will be continuously updated on the latest available information. In addition, MOH will continue to ensure that all prevention and control activities will continue to be implemented effectively and continuously.

Thank you.

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1 May 2020 @ 4.30 pm

Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 1 May 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	95
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	253
Selangor	24 (4)	1,455
Negeri Sembilan	0	513
Melaka	1 (1)	199
Johor	3 (3)	666
Pahang	3	297
Terengganu	0	110
Kelantan	0	155
Sabah	0	315
Sarawak	2	509
WP Kuala Lumpur	32	1,264
WP Putrajaya	4 (4)	85
WP Labuan	0	16
Total	69 (12)	6,071

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