



**PRESS STATEMENT
MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA**

**UPDATES ON THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)
SITUATION IN MALAYSIA
5 July 2020**

Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **four (4) cases** have fully recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 8,465 confirmed COVID-19 cases have fully recovered** (97.7% of total cumulative cases).

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

5 July 2020, 12 pm – A total of **five (5) additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **8,663 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 77 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the five (5) additional cases reported today, **three (3) are imported cases** who were infected overseas, involving two (2) Malaysians and one (1) non-Malaysian who is a permanent resident. The **two (2) local transmission cases** are among Malaysians; pre-surgical screenings from Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Sabah and a medical centre in Seremban, Negeri Sembilan. No local transmission among non-Malaysians are reported today.

Currently, two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICUs) and both patients are on ventilation support.

Fortunately, **no additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now **121 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.39% of total cumulative cases).

Two COVID-19 Clusters Associated with Residential Quarters Have Ended

MOH would like to inform that two (2) COVID-19 clusters have ended today i.e. the Gombak Cluster and the Cheras Apartment Cluster. Both clusters were associated with residential quarters in Selangor and Kuala Lumpur.

1. The Gombak Cluster was reported on 18 May 2020 from active case detection from a confirmed COVID-19 at a living quarter in Gombak. As of 4 July 2020, a total of 200 individuals have been screened, of which five (5) confirmed COVID-19 cases were detected, all Malaysians.
2. The Cheras Apartment Cluster was reported on 1 June 2020 from active case detection from a confirmed COVID-19 case at an apartment in Cheras. As of 4 July 2020, a total of 144 individuals have been screened, of which eight (8) confirmed COVID-19 cases were detected. This cluster consisted of one (1) Indonesian national (from the 3 non-Malaysians screened) and seven (7) Malaysians.

The first cases of both clusters were detected from screening of religious school students, that is one of the target groups identified as high-risk. This is the targeted approach that has so far managed to detect many cases of COVID-19. From the investigations, no additional positive COVID-19 cases were found in both religious schools.

The MOH would like to congratulate and thank all parties involved in providing their services for contact tracing and activities to prevent further spread of the infection for both these clusters.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH urges the public to remain vigilant and continue to practice all of the health advisories issued by the MOH, that includes:

- Avoid the **3Cs**: **C**rowded places; **C**onfined spaces; and **C**lose conversations
- Practice the **3Ws**: **W**ash hands frequently with water and soap; **W**earing facemasks are strongly encouraged in public areas or if symptomatic; **W**arn self and others for the following, in line with MOH's advisories:
 - Avoid shaking hands or touching others
 - Practice good coughing and sneezing etiquette
 - Seek early treatment if symptomatic
 - Stay at home and avoid from visiting others
 - Regularly clean and disinfect commonly touched surfaces in common areas

In addition to the SOPs, continue to adhere to **THIS**:

- **T**: Terms set under the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO)
- **Hi**: High-risk groups such as children, infants, older adults and the disabled must be protected, and if unwell with symptoms, to seek early treatment
- **S**: Safe social distancing is practiced at all times, of at least 1 metre away from others

MOH will continue to monitor the development of the COVID-19 situation, both in the country as well as internationally, based on available information from the World Health Organization (WHO). The public will be continuously updated on the latest information. In addition, MOH will ensure that appropriate preventive and control measures are continuously implemented.

Thank you.

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5 July 2020 @ 5.00 pm

Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 5 July 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	97
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	258
Selangor	2 (2)	2,060
Negeri Sembilan	1	1,027
Melaka	0	256
Johor	0	692
Pahang	0	365
Terengganu	0	111
Kelantan	0	157
Sabah	2 (1)	378
Sarawak	0	571
WP Kuala Lumpur	0	2,438
WP Putrajaya	0	97
WP Labuan	0	17
Total	5 (3)	8,663

*() refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 case