



**PRESS STATEMENT
MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA**

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

Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **17 cases** have recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 8,594 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been discharged** (96.7% of total cumulative cases).

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

25 July 2020, 12 pm – A total of **23 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **8,884 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 167 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the 23 additional cases reported today, six (6) are imported cases who were **infected overseas**, involving four (4) Malaysians and two (2) non-Malaysians (allowed to enter Malaysia for work). The six (6) imported cases were travellers from:

- Singapore – 3 cases
- Indonesia – 1 case
- Philippines – 1 case
- Russia – 1 case

Of the 17 **local transmission** cases, 10 cases are among Malaysians and seven (7) cases are among non-Malaysians.

Details of the local transmission cases among **non-Malaysians** (7 cases) are as follows:

- Kuala Lumpur – 1 case: From screening following delivery. The case was a detainee at the Bukit Jalil Immigration Detention Centre. The case is asymptomatic and currently treated at Serdang Hospital.
- Selangor – 2 cases:
 - 1 case: From the Sepang *Rumah Kongs*i Cluster.
 - 1 case: From screening at a workplace.
- Johor – 4 cases:
 - 1 case: From the Kluang Elderly Care Home Cluster.
 - 2 cases: From the Bukit Tiram Cluster, as detailed below.
 - 1 case: From screening prior to starting work.

Details of the local transmission COVID-19 cases among **Malaysians** (10 cases) are as follows:

- Johor – 2 cases:
 - 1 case: From the Kluang Elderly Care Home Cluster.
 - 1 case: From screening at a workplace.
- Sarawak – 8 cases:
 - 4 cases: From the Sentosa Cluster.
 - 1 case: From the Kuching Engineering Cluster.
 - 1 case: From the Kuching Construction Company Cluster, as detailed below.
 - 1 case: From screening at the port of entry at the airport. The case was asymptomatic and has been admitted into Sarawak General Hospital.
 - 1 case: From screening at a workplace.

Currently, only **three (3) confirmed COVID-19 cases** are receiving treatment **in intensive care units (ICUs)**, and two (2) patients are on ventilation support.

No additional COVID-19 death was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now **123 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.38% of total cumulative cases).

Two New COVID-19 Clusters Reported Today

MOH would like to inform that two (2) new clusters have been reported today:

1. Bukit Tiram Cluster

This cluster was identified when two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases were reported at a religious centre in Taman Bukit Tiram, Johor. Both cases (Case 8,868 and Case 8,869) are non-Malaysians residing in Malaysia and are employees of the centre.

Both cases developed symptoms on 15 July 2020 but did not seek immediate treatment at any health facility. They then underwent COVID-19 screening and tested positive on 24 July 2020.

As of 25 July 2020, there are two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases and 10 close contacts have been identified in this cluster. All 10 close contacts have been screened and are awaiting results. Investigation and active contact detection are ongoing. The cause of infection for this cluster is still under investigation.

2. Kuching Construction Company Cluster

The first case of this cluster is a confirmed COVID-19 case that was detected on 11 July 2020 (Case 8,715). Investigation has identified 55 close contacts, of which five (5) are members of the same household and 50 work colleagues. All of these close contacts have been screened and tested negative for COVID-19.

This cluster was identified when one (1) confirmed COVID-19 case (Case 8,881) was detected from repeated screening of close contacts of Case

8,715. Active case detection is still ongoing. The cause of infection for this cluster is still under investigation.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH advises the public to continue to remain vigilant and to always comply to the recommendations and health advisories repeatedly emphasised by the MOH. These advisories must be incorporated into everyday life as the new normal.

- Avoid the **3Cs**: Avoid **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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25 July 2020 @ 5.00 pm

Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 25 July 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	100
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	262
Selangor	3 (1)	2,118
Negeri Sembilan	0	1,028
Melaka	0	258
Johor	10 (4)	730
Pahang	0	369
Terengganu	0	114
Kelantan	0	159
Sabah	0	384
Sarawak	8	649
WP Kuala Lumpur	1	2,458
WP Putrajaya	0	98
WP Labuan	1 (1)	18
Total	23 (6)	8,884

*() refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 case