



## PRESS STATEMENT MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA

### UPDATES ON THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION IN MALAYSIA 29 August 2020

#### Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **eight (8) cases** have fully recovered and discharged today. **Cumulatively, 9,038 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been discharged** (97.0% of total cumulative cases).

#### Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

29 August 2020, 12 pm – a total of **11 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **9,317 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 154 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the 11 additional cases reported today, 10 are imported cases who were **infected overseas**, involving six (6) Malaysians and four (4) non-Malaysians. They were travellers from the following countries:

- India – 8 cases: 7 cases in Kuala Lumpur, 1 case in Selangor
- Indonesia – 1 case in Selangor
- Qatar – 1 case in Kuala Lumpur

The one (1) local transmission case is a Malaysian, detected in Sarawak from pre-surgery screening in Sarawak General Hospital.

Currently, **eight (8) confirmed COVID-19 cases** are receiving treatment in the **intensive care units (ICUs)**, with six (6) patients on ventilation support.

**No additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there remains **125 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.34% of total cumulative cases).

### **Health Screening in Terendak Camp Military Hospital**

On 27 August 2020, the National CPRC was notified of confirmed COVID-19 cases among individuals at the Terendak Camp Military Hospital, Melaka. Based on the investigation, two (2) confirmed cases were detected from pre-surgery screening and one (1) case from symptomatic screening at the hospital.

Based on the latest information, the Terendak Camp Armed Forces together with the Melaka State Health Department have made a risk assessment on the personnel, as well as active case detection and screening of identified close contacts of confirmed cases. For identified close contacts, symptomatic screening and COVID-19 testing were performed. Home Surveillance Orders were also issued to close contacts. For individuals with severe respiratory tract symptoms, they will be referred to the hospital for isolation and further treatment.

As of 29 August 2020, a total of 109 individuals have been identified as close contacts to the confirmed cases. They have been screened and are awaiting the results of the COVID-19 tests. Screening of close contacts and other related activities in the field are ongoing. The latest update will be informed from time to time.

## Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH advises the public to remain vigilant and continue to follow the recommendations and health advisories that are often emphasised. These advisories must be incorporated as the new normal in our daily life, including:

- 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 is now mandatory in public areas (starting from 1 August 2020 as directed by the National Security Council) or highly recommended 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** as the new normal:

- **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 physical 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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## Appendix 1

### Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 29 August 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	32
Kedah	0	213
Pulau Pinang	0	136
Perak	0	269
Selangor	2 (2)	2,166
Negeri Sembilan	0	1,034
Melaka	0	262
Johor	0	751
Pahang	0	370
Terengganu	0	114
Kelantan	0	160
Sabah	0	417
Sarawak	1	698
WP Kuala Lumpur	8 (8)	2,573
WP Putrajaya	0	99
WP Labuan	0	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 (10)</b>	<b>9,317</b>

\*( ) refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 case