

## 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**

10 May 2020 – The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **96** cases have fully recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 5,025** confirmed **COVID-19** cases have fully recovered (75.5% of total cumulative cases).

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

10 May 2020, 12 pm — A total of **67 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today, of which **49 cases are amongst non-Malaysians**. Cumulatively there are now **6,656 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 1,523 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have been isolated and provided treatment.

Currently, 18 confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICU), and of these, six (6) cases are on ventilation support.

Fortunately, **no additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there remains **108 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.62% of total cumulative cases).

#### **Nuzul Quran and Mother's Day Celebrations**

MOH would like to take this opportunity to wish all Muslims in Malaysia a joyous Nuzul Quran celebration. Take this opportunity with your family at home to share in this meaningful event.

In conjunction with Mother's Day celebration today, 10 May 2020, MOH would like to express our deepest appreciation to all mothers across the country.

The theme of "Prihatin Keluarga, Hargai Ibu" (can be translated to "a caring family appreciates the mother") is a fitting tribute to the role and sacrifice of all mothers, especially throughout this time period of the country's efforts to curb the COVID-19 infection. At the same time, mothers who served as frontliners and behind the scenes in the fight against COVID-19 are also not forgotten. Their care on balancing duties and responsibilities towards families and the country are highly respected.

### **Extension of the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO)**

As announced by the Prime Minister in his Special Announcement earlier, the current Conditional Movement Control Order or CMCO effective until 12 May 2020 will be extended until 9 June 2020, for another four weeks.

As stated by the Prime Minister, implementation of the CMCO appears to have been smooth and orderly. Several sectors of the economy have also begun to open. Individuals who have been stranded in their hometowns or elsewhere, including students, have started returning home. It was generally found that business owners, employer and the public have taken an active role in complying with the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

In this regard, MOH welcomes the announcement of the CMCO extension until 9 June 2020. This will continue to give the Government the opportunity to fight the transmission of the COVID-19 infection to a

more manageable level, while carefully balancing the opening of the economic sectors in a cautious manner. The effectiveness of these actions will be evaluated from time to time.

MOH will intensify efforts to reduce the number of COVID-19 positive cases in Malaysia through active case detection and a targeted approach, that includes detection, screening and testing of high-risk populations. These actions can be implemented more effectively through the implementation of the CMCO and the Enforced Movement Control Order (EMCO).

## Jalan Othman Market Placed Under the Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO)

MOH takes note of the announcement by the Senior Minister (Security Cluster), whereby the Jalan Othman Market in Petaling Jaya, Selangor was placed under the EMCO. This directive was implemented following the detection of 27 COVID-19 positive cases in the locality; including two (2) cases outside this area. This EMCO involves three zones and will be effective from 10 May 2020 until 23 May 2020.

### The Target Approach Activities Showing Positive Results

So far, the implementation of the targeted approach has shown a positive impact in detecting additional cases of COVID-19. As of 10 May 2020, MOH has identified several target populations, such as:

- Participants of the Seri Petaling gathering, and their close contacts
- Students and staff of the madrasah and tahfiz (religious schools)
   closely associated with the Seri Petaling gathering
- Malaysians returning from overseas, and being housed in quarantine centres
- MOH healthcare workers (HCWs)
- Residents of EMCO localities or areas
- Pasar Borong (Wholesale Market) Kuala Lumpur (PBKL) and wet markets closely linked to the PBKL
- Foreign workers at construction sites in red zones

#### Senior citizen care homes

The public does not need to worry about the additional cases reported following the Government's aggressive and proactive actions, as this demonstrates the effectiveness of these activities. The cases detected have been isolated and hospitalised to ensure that the COVID-19 virus do not continue to spread in the community.

#### **Health Advisory on COVID-19**

MoH seeks the cooperation of all levels of the community in the fight against COVID-19. The public needs to take social responsibility and adopt self-regulation. MOH advises the public to continue practicing the new norms in daily life:

- 1. Comply with the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO)
- 2. Avoid leaving the house, except for important matters
- 3. Practice safe social distancing of at least 1 metre away from others
- 4. Maintain optimal levels of hygiene at all times, such as frequent hand washing with water and soap

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 10 May 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	95
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	2	255
Selangor	8	1,604
Negeri Sembilan	45	726
Melaka	0	210
Johor	0	667
Pahang	2	308
Terengganu	0	110
Kelantan	0	155
Sabah	0	317
Sarawak	1	543
WP Kuala Lumpur	9	1,423
WP Putrajaya	0	88
WP Labuan	0	16
Total	67	6,656

<sup>\*( )</sup> refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 cases