



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

26 June 2020 – The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **23 cases** have fully recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 8,294 confirmed COVID-19 cases have fully recovered** (96.4% of total cumulative cases).

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

26 June 2020, 12 pm – A total of **six (6) additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **8,606 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 191 active and infective COVID-19 cases**, less than 200 cases. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the six (6) additional cases reported today, **five (5) are imported cases who were infected overseas**, involving four (4) Malaysians and one (1) non-Malaysian (with approval to enter Malaysia for work-related matters). **The one (1) local transmission case is a Malaysian**; from a workplace screening in Kuala Lumpur. No local transmission cases among non-Malaysians are reported today.

Currently, two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICUs), and no patient is 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 (1.41% of total cumulative cases).

The Number of Active COVID-19 Cases are Less Than 200 Cases

Today is day 17 of the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO) that was enforced since 10 June 2020. MOH would like to inform that the additional COVID-19 cases reported daily have been single digits for four consecutive days since 23 June 2020. In addition, the number of local transmission cases among Malaysians were less than 5 cases for six consecutive days.

By comparison, the recovery rate of COVID-19 cases in Malaysia (96.4%) is among the highest within ASEAN countries. In addition, the COVID-19 mortality rate in Malaysia is also among the lowest in the world (1.41%). No COVID-19 deaths have been reported in the past 12 days. The number of active and infective COVID-19 cases have been steadily decreasing daily. For the first time since the Movement Control Order (MCO) came into force, there are now less than 200 active cases today.

The Government's approach in implementing the RMCO is part of the soft-landing approach, that is to prepare the country for the exit strategy. From the above statistics, the current situation appears encouraging and optimistic for further re-opening of various sectors to improve the economy of the country. The compliance of individuals, companies and communities to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) have contributed to this achievement. The SOPs were developed in consultation with various stakeholders, taking a balanced approach and taking into account various factors, including personal safety, lives and livelihoods.

MOH would like to congratulate all Malaysians for their cooperation with the Government for this achievement, in the joint efforts to control the transmission of COVID-19 infection. However, it is worth noting that the battle against the COVID-19 virus is far from over. The public is encouraged to remain vigilant and to comply with the SOPs and advisories

so that we can jointly break the COVID-19 infection transmission chain in Malaysia.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH would like to remind the public to continue to practice all of the health advisories issued by 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.

Datuk Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah
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Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 26 June 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	1 (1)	97
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	258
Selangor	2 (2)	2,036
Negeri Sembilan	0	1,015
Melaka	0	256
Johor	2 (2)	691
Pahang	0	365
Terengganu	0	111
Kelantan	0	157
Sabah	0	366
Sarawak	0	570
WP Kuala Lumpur	1	2,431
WP Putrajaya	0	97
WP Labuan	0	17
Total	6 (5)	8,606

*() refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 case