



**PRESS STATEMENT  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA**

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

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

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **18 cases** have recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 8,702 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been discharged** (96.4% of total cumulative cases).

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

5 August 2020, 12 pm – a total of **21 additional confirmed COVID-19 case** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **9,023 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 196 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the 21 additional cases reported today, **15 are imported cases who were infected overseas**, all involving **Malaysians**, as detailed below.

All **six (6) local transmission cases** are amongst **Malaysians**. The details are as follows:

- Kedah – 3 cases: From the Sivagangga PUI Cluster, as detailed below.

- Sabah – 2 cases:
  - 1 case: From pre-surgery screening in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kota Kinabalu.
  - 1 case: From pre-procedural screening in the Sabah Women and Children’s Hospital, Kota Kinabalu.
- Johor – 1 case: From pre-surgery screening in Sultanah Aminah Hospital, Johor Bahru.

Currently, **two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases** are receiving treatment in the intensive care units (ICUs), and no patients require ventilation support.

**No additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now **125 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.39% of total cumulative cases).

### **Imported Confirmed COVID-19 Cases from Overseas**

As informed above, 15 imported cases are reported today, all involving Malaysians who were infected overseas. They have returned to Malaysia from these countries:

- Yemen (12 cases)
- Papua New Guinea (1 case)
- Ivory Coast (1 case)
- United Kingdom (1 case)

All these imported cases are in Kuala Lumpur. They were isolated at the quarantine centre upon arrival at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA), and therefore do not present any risk of infection to the local community. The implementation of strict international border control is important to prevent local transmission of the COVID-19 infection originating from overseas.

## **Additional Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Detected in the Sivagangga PUI Cluster**

As of 5 August 2020, 12 pm, a total of 1,647 individuals have been screened in this cluster. Of these:

- 24 confirmed COVID-19 cases
- 754 individuals tested negative
- 869 individuals awaiting results

The nationalities of the confirmed cases in this cluster are as follows:

- 19 Malaysians
- 5 non-Malaysians

Three (3) additional COVID-19 cases were detected in the Sivagangga PUI Cluster today. All three (3) cases were identified through close contact screening of confirmed cases, whereby they are the second generation of infection. Two (2) cases (Case 9,021 and Case 9,022) were close contacts (children) to Case 9,000. One of the children had respiratory symptoms on 30 July 2020 but did not seek treatment at any health facility.

The third case (Case 9,023) is a close contact to Case 8,976. The case had fever and respiratory symptoms on 2 August 2020 and received treatment at the Taman Selasih Health Clinic, Kulim. There was a fake news that was viralled, providing detailed information of the areas that the case allegedly had visited. The public is advised **not to spread this fake news as the information is inaccurate**. Investigation and active case detection are still ongoing and the current situation will be updated from time to time.

The three (3) additional cases tested positive for COVID-19 on 4 August 2020 and were admitted into Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital, Kedah for treatment.

## Health Advisory on COVID-19

The public must always remain vigilant and continue to practice the advice repeatedly emphasised by the MOH as the new normal in daily life. These advices are as follows:

- 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 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**:

- **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.

**Datuk Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah**  
Director General of Health Malaysia

5 August 2020 @ 5.00 pm

## Appendix 1

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

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	20
Kedah	3	125
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	264
Selangor	0	2,130
Negeri Sembilan	0	1,029
Melaka	0	258
Johor	1	743
Pahang	0	370
Terengganu	0	114
Kelantan	0	160
Sabah	2	402
Sarawak	0	678
WP Kuala Lumpur	15 (15)	2,491
WP Putrajaya	0	98
WP Labuan	0	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>21 (15)</b>	<b>9,023</b>

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