

PRESS STATEMENT MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA

UPDATES ON THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION IN MALAYSIA 27 October 2020

Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

The Ministry of Health (MOH) is pleased to inform that today Malaysia reported **674 COVID-19 recovery cases**. Therefore, **cumulatively**, **18,499 confirmed COVID-19 cases** have been discharged well (64.6% of total cumulative cases). The breakdown of cases that have recovered by state is as follows:

- Sabah (367 cases)
- Kedah (136 cases)
- Pulau Pinang (79 cases)
- Selangor (70 cases)
- Kuala Lumpur (5 cases)
- Sarawak (5 cases)
- Johor (5 cases)
- WP Labuan (3 cases)
- Melaka (2 cases)
- Negeri Sembilan (1 case)
- Terengganu (1 case)

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

We are pleased to inform today that Sabah reported a decrease in the number of cases by 517 cases (55.8%), from 927 cases to 410 cases. Despite the decrease in the number of cases today, MOH is still

conducting screening and active case detection throughout Sabah. This is because there are still 44 active clusters in Sabah and an increase in daily local transmission daily can still occur.

The states in the Klang Valley reported 138 cases (16.5% of the total cases). Of these 138 additional cases, 65 cases (47.1%) are from existing and new clusters. These states as well as Sabah have already been placed under the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO).

There is also a decrease of 485 cases (95.5%) for cases related to prison clusters today, from **508 cases** to **23 cases**. Of these, 15 cases are from the Tembok Cluster; seven (7) cases from the Penjara Kepayan Cluster; and one (1) case from the Penjara Reman Cluster. This is the result of the hard work of all agencies in the prevention and control activities, in addition to the implementation of the Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO) for the prisons and quarters involved, to prevent any transmission to the local communities.

As of 27 October 2020, 12 pm, a total of **835 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively, there are **28,640 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are currently **9,903 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the 835 additional cases reported today, five (5) are imported cases who were **infected overseas**, involving one (1) Malaysian and four (4) non-Malaysians who were travellers from:

- India (1 case in Selangor and 1 case in WP Labuan)
- Indonesia (1 case in Kuala Lumpur)
- Thailand (1 case in Kuala Lumpur)
- Bulgaria (1 case in WP Labuan)

The details of the local transmission COVID-19 cases are as follows:

Sabah: 410 cases

- 60 cases from existing active clusters, including 6 cases from a new cluster i.e. Lintas Cluster.
- 218 cases from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- 132 cases from other COVID-19 screenings.

Negeri Sembilan: 155 cases

- 149 cases from existing active clusters.
- 4 cases from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- o 2 cases from other COVID-19 screenings.

Selangor: 125 cases

- 59 cases from existing active clusters.
- 42 cases from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- 24 cases from other COVID-19 screenings.

WP Labuan: 74 cases

- 69 cases from existing active clusters, including 13 cases from a new cluster i.e. Limbungan Cluster.
- o 5 cases from other COVID-19 screenings.

Sarawak: 16 cases

- 12 cases from existing active clusters.
- 3 cases from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- 1 case from other COVID-19 screenings.

• Pulau Pinang: 13 cases

- 12 cases from existing active clusters.
- o 1 case from other COVID-19 screenings.
- Perak: 11 cases from existing active clusters.

• Kuala Lumpur: 9 cases

- 6 cases from existing active clusters.
- 1 case from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- 2 cases from other COVID-19 screenings.

Johor: 8 cases

- 7 cases from existing active clusters.
- 1 case from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- Kedah: 4 cases from existing active clusters.
- Terengganu: 4 cases from existing active clusters.
- WP Putrajaya: 1 case from screening of close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases.

Currently, **89 confirmed COVID-19 cases** are receiving treatment in the **intensive care units (ICUs)**, with **32 patients on ventilation support**.

Regretfully, two (2) additional COVID-19 deaths were reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now 238 COVID-19 deaths in Malaysia (0.8% of total cumulative cases).

Summary of the deaths reported today is shown in the following table:

Death #	Case	State	Sex (Nationality)	Age (years)	Hospital	Medical History
237	27,478	Sabah	Male (M'sian)	82	Tawau	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic kidney disease & atrial fibrillation
238	28,215	Sabah	Female (Non-M'sian)	53	Tawau	-

MOH extends its condolences to all their family members.

Two (2) New Clusters Reported Today

MOH would like to inform that there are **two (2) new clusters** have been identified today.

1. The Lintas Cluster

This new cluster involves the Kota Kinabalu district, Sabah. A total of six (6) confirmed COVID-19 cases were detected from a workplace screening on 26 October 2020. All these cases were admitted into the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

As of 27 October 2020, 12 pm, a total of 21 individuals have been screened, of which:

- Six (6) confirmed COVID-19 cases (6 additional cases reported today)
- 15 individuals tested negative

2. The Limbungan Cluster

This new cluster was reported in WP Labuan. The index case for this cluster (Case 18,741) was detected positive for COVID-19 from screening of close contacts on 15 October 2020. Further screening of close contacts has identified 19 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases on 27 October 2020. All these cases were admitted into Labuan Hospital.

As of 27 October 2020, 12 pm, a total of 383 individuals have been screened, of which:

- 20 confirmed COVID-19 cases (13 additional cases)
- 44 individuals tested negative
- 319 individuals awaiting results

Measures to Prevent COVID-19 Transmission at Workplaces

MOH would like to inform that a total of 230 COVID-19 clusters have been reported since the beginning of the pandemic in Malaysia; of which, 62 clusters (30%) were related to workplaces. As of 27 October 2020, there are 37 workplace-related clusters that are still active, including two (2) new clusters reported today.

MOH is very grateful and would like to express its appreciation to employers and private companies in helping to control the transmission of COVID-19 among their employees and workers. The proactive actions of employers in implementing COVID-19 screening of their employees enables the detection of asymptomatic COVID-19 cases among the employees and this in turn assists MOH in promptly carrying out public health prevention and control measures. This can also prevent the transmission of COVID-19 infection in the community and further protect individuals of high-risk groups, the older adults and children.

In addition to the proactive actions of employers, employees also have a major role to play in assisting the MOH to control the transmission of COVID-19 in the workplace by complying with the Standard Practice Procedures (SOPs) that have been set. In addition, employees should always practice self-compliance while at work. A clean and safe workplace environment should also be made the new normal in our daily working life to break the transmission chain of the COVID-19 infection.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH advices the public to continue to comply to 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 Crowded places; Confined spaces; and Close conversations.

- Practice the 3Ws: Wash hands frequently with water and soap;
 Wearing facemasks is now mandatory in public areas (starting from 1 August 2020 as directed by the National Security Council) or highly recommended if symptomatic;
 Warn self and others for the following, in line with MOH's advisories:
 - Avoid shaking hands or touching others, including bumping parts of the body in lieu of shaking hands
 - 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 27 October 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Sabah	410	13,155
Selangor	126 (1)	4,271
WP Kuala Lumpur	11 (2)	2,977
Kedah	4	2,052
Negeri Sembilan	155	1,492
Pulau Pinang	13	925
Johor	8	879
Sarawak	16	819
Perak	11	484
Pahang	0	392
Melaka	0	310
WP Labuan	76 (2)	346
Kelantan	0	179
Terengganu	4	180
WP Putrajaya	1	141
Perlis	0	38
Total	835 (5)	28, 640

^{*()} refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 cases

Appendix 2

Current Status of Active Clusters with Additional Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Reported Today

(27 October 2020)

	Cluster	States	Districts	Additional cases	Total cases	Total screened	Active cases (ICU)	Total recovered	Total deaths
1.	Kaya	Negeri Sembilan, Kuala Lumpur & Putrajaya, Melaka, Selangor	Seremban, Lembah Pantai, Putrajaya, Melaka Tengah, Sepang, Klang, Kuala Langat, Kuala Selangor, Petaling	152	274	688	274 (0)	0	0
2.	Saguking	WP Labuan	Labuan	55	162	2,735	132 (0)	29	1
3.	Melati	Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Pahang, Perak	Titiwangsa, Kepong, Klang, Petaling, Hulu Langat, Kuantan, Bagan Datuk, Hilir Perak	36	62	303	56 (0)	6	0
4.	Titir	Sabah	Keningau	23	51	786	50 (0)	1	0
5.	Tembok	Kedah, Perak	Kota Setar, Baling, Kuala Muda, Sungai Petani, Kubang Pasu, Padang Terap, Larut Matang & Selama	15	1,679	8,867	549 (5)	1,127	3

	Cluster	States	Districts	Additional cases	Total cases	Total screened	Active cases (ICU)	Total recovered	Total deaths
6.	Baki	Sarawak	Kuching	12	25	949	25 (0)	0	0
7.	Bayan	Pulau Pinang	Timur Laut, Barat Daya, Seberang Perai Utara	9	18	464	17 (0)	1	0
8.	Penjara Kepayan	Sabah	Kota Kinabalu, Papar, Penampang	7	1,669	3,490	1,664 (0)	5	0
9.	Kempas	Johor	Johor Bahru, Kulai, Pontian	7	30	443	30 (1)	0	0
10.	Basung	Sabah	Kudat	6	36	644	36 (0)	0	0
11.	Mentari	Selangor, Negeri Sembilan, Kuala Lumpur	Petaling, Klang, Gombak, Seremban, Kepong	5	23	99	21 (0)	2	0
12.	Hentian	Selangor, Kuala Lumpur	Hulu Langat, Cheras, Titiwangsa	4	82	2,155	78 (0)	4	0
13.	Makekar	Terengganu, Selangor	Kemaman, Dungun, Kuala Terengganu, Marang, Klang	4	17	275	17 (0)	0	0
14.	Utama	Selangor, Melaka, Kuala Lumpur	Gombak, Hulu Langat, Petaling, Kuala Selangor, Alor Gajah, Lembah Pantai, Titiwangsa, Kepong, Cheras	3	229	891	51 (0)	178	0

	Cluster	States	Districts	Additional cases	Total cases	Total screened	Active cases (ICU)	Total recovered	Total deaths
15.	Auto	Selangor, Negeri Sembilan, Kuala Lumpur & Putrajaya	Petaling, Klang, Kuala Langat, Sepang, Gombak, Hulu Langat, Kuala Selangor, Seremban, Titiwangsa, Putrajaya	3	112	882	92 (0)	20	0
16.	Tanamera	Sabah	Tawau	3	65	160	38 (0)	27	0
17.	Cahaya	Selangor, Negeri Sembilan, Kuala Lumpur	Petaling, Tampin, Titiwangsa, Lembah Pantai, Kepong	3	40	316	38 (1)	2	0
18.	Palma	Selangor, Kuala Lumpur	Gombak, Hulu Selangor, Kepong	3	17	110	14 (0)	3	0
19.	Kolong	Sabah	Keningau	3	16	298	7 (0)	9	0
20.	Tujuh Serangkai	Sabah	Tuaran, Kota Kinabalu	2	375	3,214	144 (0)	229	2
21.	Ramai- Ramai	Sabah	Sandakan	2	250	773	121 (0)	129	0
22.	Mesra	Sabah	Sandakan	2	35	116	27 (0)	7	1
23.	Alma	Pulau Pinang, Perak, Kedah	Seberang Perai Tengah, Seberang Perai Selatan, Seberang Perai Utara, Kerian,	2	33	588	25 (1)	8	0

	Cluster	States	Districts	Additional cases	Total cases	Total screened	Active cases (ICU)	Total recovered	Total deaths
			Bandar Baharu						
24.	Penjara Reman	Pulau Pinang	Timur Laut	1	455	2,964	62 (0)	392	1
25.	Menara	Selangor, Kuala Lumpur & Putrajaya, Perak, Terengganu, Melaka	Hulu Langat, Petaling, Gombak, Klang, Sepang, Kuala Langat, Cheras, Titiwangsa, Lembah Pantai, Putrajaya, Larut Matang & Selama, Kuala Nerus, Melaka Tengah	1	82	527	53 (0)	29	0
26.	Inai	Sabah	Kudat	1	50	106	50 (0)	0	0
27.	Kapor	Sabah	Kudat	1	47	134	47 (0)	0	0
28.	Jalan Bomba	Sabah	Sandakan	1	31	316	23 (0)	6	2
29.	Kertang	Sabah	Kota Belud	1	25	724	25 (0)	0	0
30.	Megah	Sabah	Sandakan, Kota Kinabalu	1	25	64	15 (0)	9	1
31.	Tempayan	Sabah	Penampang, Kota Kinabalu	1	23	243	8 (0)	15	0
32.	Jambu	Selangor, Pulau Pinang	Hulu Langat, Timur Laut	1	18	147	17 (0)	1	0

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33.	Sentral	Kuala Lumpur, Selangor	Kepong, Cheras, Titiwangsa, Lembah Pantai, Petaling	1	14	361	10 (0)	3	1
34.	Bina Labuan	WP Labuan	Labuan	1	14	171	13 (0)	0	1
35.	Bah Layangan	WP Labuan, Negeri Sembilan	Labuan, Rembau	1	14	142	6 (0)	8	0
36.	Bah Kota	Selangor, Negeri Sembilan	Sepang, Petaling, Seremban	1	12	181	10 (0)	2	0