

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

6 May 2020 – The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **135** cases have fully recovered and discharged well today. Cumulatively, **4,702** confirmed COVID-19 cases have fully recovered and discharged well (73.15% of total cumulative cases). The number of cases discharged is three times higher than the additional confirmed COVID-19 cases reported today.

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

6 May 2020, 12 pm — A total of **45 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **6,428 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 1,619 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have been isolated and provided treatment.

Of these 45 additional cases reported today, one (1) is an imported case. The remaining 44 cases are due to local transmission, of which one (1) case was detected in a locality under the Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO).

Currently, 22 confirmed COVID-19 cases are receiving treatment in intensive care units (ICU), and of these, 9 cases are on ventilation support.

Regretfully, **one (1) additional COVID-19 death** was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there are now **107 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.66% of total cumulative cases):

1. **Death #107**: Case 2,380 is a 51 year-old Malaysian man who has a history of diabetes, hypertension and kidney disease. He was admitted into Sungai Buloh Hospital on 22 April 2020 and was pronounced dead on 5 May 2020 at 2.53 pm.

MOH conveys condolences to the family members.

Current Status of the Quarantine and Low-Risk COVID-19 Treatment Centre at the Malaysia Agro Exposition Park Serdang

MOH would like to update on the current status of the Quarantine and Low-Risk COVID-19 Treatment Centre at the Malaysia Agro Exposition Park Serdang (MAEPS). This centre was set up as a preparedness measure to increase the capacity of MOH healthcare facilities to accommodate COVID-19 patients.

As previously mentioned, this centre has been operational since 21 April 2020 and has received low-risk or symptom-free COVID-19 patients.

The services provided include:

- clinical services, such as inpatient wards for COVID-19 patients
- resuscitation space to stabilise patients in an emergency (if needed)
- ambulance service
- pharmaceutical service
- x-ray service
- pathology laboratory service

There are two halls with a total capacity of 604 beds. The centre also features lounges, changing rooms, prayer rooms, television, computer and broadband (WiFi) for the patients' convenience. For healthcare workers (HCWs), the centre has dedicated work areas and lounges. The

centre is equipped with closed-circuit security cameras and is under constant police supervision.

To date, stable patients have been received from Kuala Lumpur Hospital, Sungai Buloh Hospital, MOH Training Institute in Sungai Buloh, and several District Health Offices from the Federal Territories of Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya, Selangor and Negeri Sembilan.

With the operation of the Quarantine and Low-Risk COVID-19 Treatment Centre at MAEPS, Kuala Lumpur Hospital has been able to resume many of its services, such as elective surgery cases.

As of 5 May 2020, the cumulative number of confirmed COVID-19 cases treated at this centre was 217 patients, of which 65 patients have been discharged and 152 patients still receiving treatment. Seven patients have been referred back to the hospital for further treatment.

To date, there are a total of 212 HCWs working at the centre, consisting of various categories including:

- 3 medical specialists
- 34 medical officers
- 90 nurses
- 21 pharmacists
- 8 x-ray technicians
- 9 medical laboratory technicians
- 9 dieticians
- 2 counsellors
- 36 of other categories

All of these HCWs were mobilised from MOH Headquarters, State Health Departments, MOH hospitals, army hospitals, public university hospitals and volunteers.

The centre also has a team known as Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Services (MHPSS) team that provides emotional, psychological and spiritual support to patients and HCWs.

The centre utilises the information technology system called HIS@MOH, developed by MOH, for the management of medical records. It includes electronic medical records of patients used in handling patient information including medication prescriptions, diet orders, x-rays and medical samples. In addition, the centre also uses the Hospital CPRC system for accurate and up-to-date data collection and reporting.

Thank you to all those who have collaborated for this successful launch of the Prime Minister's brainchild, including the National Disaster Management Agency (NADMA), MOH, Malaysian Armed Forces, Royal Malaysian Police, Fire and Rescue Department of Malaysia, Malaysia Civil Defence Force, Department of Social Welfare, Department of Public Works and also MAEPS.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

Following the Government's aggressive actions using the targeted approach, additional cases have been identified, and now the number of cases reported daily has decreased slightly. However, the situation can still change day by day and it is still too early to declare that the danger of COVID-19 infection at a low level.

MOH would like to remind that the reduction in the number of cases should not make the public complacent and make light of the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO). In fact, the public is urged to continue its efforts in the fight against this virus, together with the Government. MOH therefore seeks the cooperation from all Malaysians to defend and protect themselves against the COVID-19 infection. This can be achieved by:

- 1. Comply with the CMCO
- 2. Maintain a high level of personal hygiene at all times, such as regular hand washing with water and soap
- 3. Practice safe social distancing of at least 1 metre away from others
- 4. Adopt and practice the new norms in daily life

MOH will continue to monitor the development of the COVID-19 situation based on all available information, and the public will be continuously updated on the latest information.

Thank you.

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Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 6 May 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	18
Kedah	0	95
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	253
Selangor	9	1,564
Negeri Sembilan	2	600
Melaka	1	208
Johor	0	667
Pahang	0	305
Terengganu	0	110
Kelantan	0	155
Sabah	0	316
Sarawak	11	536
WP Kuala Lumpur	22 (1)	1,378
WP Putrajaya	0	86
WP Labuan	0	16
Total	45 (1)	6,428

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