



MEDIA STATEMENT OF THE
CURRENT SITUATION OF THE COVID-19 INFECTION
IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

16 April 2020

1. The Ministry of Health would like to announce that today, Thursday, 22 Syaaban 1441 / 16 April 2020, *Alhamdulillah*, by the grace of Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala, there is **no new case** of COVID-19 infection in the country. Therefore, the total number of COVID-19 cases in Brunei Darussalam **remains at 136 cases**.
2. Meanwhile, **no cases** have recovered from COVID-19 today. Therefore, the total number of cases recovered remains at **108 cases**.
3. At this time, the total number of active cases still being treated at the National Isolation Center remains at **27 cases**, where 2 are still in critical condition and both require heart / lung machine (ECMO) and respiratory assistance. Meanwhile, the rest are in a stable condition.
4. At this time as well, **76 individuals** are currently undergoing quarantine in accordance to the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204) and a total of **2,407** individuals have completed their quarantine.

5. In the past 24 hours, a total of 247 samples have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus, that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **10,826 tests**.

6. Meanwhile, the Ministry of Health is pleased to announce that *Alhamdulillah*, one of the 11 cases that had been cured but was re-admitted to the National Isolation Center after being positive after a follow-up examination, was allowed to return home today. However, as a precautionary measure, the case will undergo self-isolation for another 14 days at home, in accordance to the current SOP. This means that only 9 cases are still undergoing further examinations and tests.

7. In relation to the directives of the Ministry of Health that must be obeyed for all those arriving to Brunei Darussalam, the Ministry of Health hereby informs the public that starting 16 April 2020, all foreign travellers arriving to Brunei Darussalam are also required to bear the cost of the COVID-19 laboratory testing of B\$1,000.00 per individual. This is in addition to bearing the cost of self-isolation for 14 days as previously announced.

8. For further information and latest updates, members of the public can visit the official website of the Ministry of Health at **www.moh.gov.bn** or by contacting **the Health Advice Line 148** or through the web application **healthinfo.gov.bn**

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