



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

**28 Mac 2020**

1. As of today, 03 Syaaban 1441 / 28 March 2020, the Ministry of Health would like to inform the public of **5 new cases** of COVID-19 infection in the country, bringing the **total number of cases in Brunei Darussalam to 120 people.**

- Case 116, a local woman aged 59 years old returned to Brunei Darussalam on 19 March 2020 on-board flight Royal Brunei BI004 (seated at 31J). She started developing symptoms (body aches and cough) on 23 March 2020.
- Case 117, aged 21 years old returned from United Kingdom on 22 March 2020 on-board Royal Brunei BI004 (seated at 44J). He was undergoing self-isolation upon arrival and only started developing symptoms (flu) on 22 March 2020.
- Case 118, aged 20 years old is a family contact to Case 116. He does not have travel history and has no signs of infection.

- Case 119, aged 35 years old returned to Brunei Darussalam from United Kingdom on 23 March 2020 on-board Royal Brunei BI004 (seated at 38C). He has no signs of infection.
- Case 120, aged 32 years old returned from Manila on 14 March 2020 on-board Royal Brunei BI686. He started developing symptoms (cough and flu) on 14 March 2020.

2. The Ministry of Health would like to inform the public that *Alhamdulillah*, today, **fourteen (14) cases** treated at the National Isolation Center have recovered and are allowed to return home. Therefore, the **total number of people recovered so far are 25 people** and are allowed to return home. This means that there are 94 cases still being treated at the National Isolation Center. Of these, two are in critical condition and needing respiratory assistance, the other two are under close monitoring and the rest in good condition.
3. At this time, currently a total of 909 individuals are undergoing quarantine in accordance to the Infectious Disease Act (Chapter 204). Meanwhile, 1,110 individuals have completed their quarantine and are in stable condition. Since early January 2020, a total of 5,333 laboratory tests for COVID-19 have been conducted, leading to a ratio of 1 in 82 people in the country that has undergone testing.
4. Referring to the Press Release on the Media Statement of the Current Situation of the COVID-19 Infection in Brunei Darussalam on 15 March

2020 in relation to the permission to exit the country, the Prime Minister's Office in collaboration with the E-Government National Centre, Ministry of Transport and Infocommunications has now made amendments to the application, from e-mail to online application that can be accessed from the Prime Minister's Office website [www.pmo.gov.bn](http://www.pmo.gov.bn). Further information can also be obtained from the Guidelines for Application to Exit the Country for Citizens and Residents of Brunei Darussalam from the aforementioned website.

5. 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 (operating 24-hours)** or through the web application **healthinfo.gov.bn**

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