



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

14 April 2020

1. The Ministry of Health would like to announce that today, Tuesday, 20 Syaaban 1441 / 14 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 and allowed to return home today from the National Isolation Center. Therefore, the total number of cases recovered remains at **107 cases**.
3. At this time, the total number of active cases still being treated at the National Isolation Center remains at 28 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, a total of **2,390 individuals** have completed their quarantine in accordance to the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204) and **85 individuals** are currently undergoing quarantine.

5. In the past 24 hours, a total of 183 samples have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus, that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **10,350 tests**.

6. To date, 57 patients who had previously recovered and discharged from the National Isolation Center for more than 11 days have been identified to undergo re-testing for the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The results of today's tests have shown that **3 more cases** who had previously recovered are tested positive again, bringing the total number of cases to be tested positive again to 11 patients and 42 remains negative. Meanwhile 4 patients are still waiting for the outcome of their test results. All of those who were found positive again were re-admitted to the National Isolation Center for further investigation. In addition, their close family contacts were also required to undergo laboratory testing and re-quarantined for 14 days. So far, *Alhamdulillah* the results of the tests that have been conducted among the close family contacts were all found to be negative.

7. *Alhamdulillah*, the situation and statistics of the COVID-19 outbreak in recent days have shown success in the country's control efforts which have been implemented, however the Ministry of Health would like to remind the public to continue to carry out their social responsibilities and to cultivate preventive measures. Even though our country has not implemented any movement restrictions as how it has been implemented in other countries, the public is reminded to always practice physical distancing and comply to the current mass gathering restrictions, as stipulated under the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204). In performing

physical activities and sports such as in stadiums or recreational areas, the public is again reminded on the importance of practicing physical distancing and avoid gatherings either before, during or after performing physical activities or sports. Immediately leave these areas upon completion of the physical activities.

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

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