



MEDIA STATEMENT OF THE
CURRENT SITUATION OF THE COVID-19 INFECTION
IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM
5 April 2020

1. As of today, Sunday, 11 Syaaban 1441 / 05 April 2020, Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala, the Ministry of Health would like to inform the public that there is **no new case** of COVID-19 infection in the country. Therefore, as of now the total number of COVID-19 cases in Brunei Darussalam remains at **135 cases**. However, the spread of the COVID-19 infection has not ended and we must continue to abide to all the precautionary measures in order to further reduce the risk of spreading the infection.

2. Meanwhile, there are **7 more case** treated at the National Isolation Center that have recovered and allowed to return home, bringing **total number of people recovered so far are 73 people**. This means that there are 61 cases that are still being treated at the National Isolation Center. Of these, 3 cases are still in critical condition and require respiratory assistance in the Intensive Care Unit at the National Isolation Center, where one of them still requires heart / lung machine (ECMO) assistance. Meanwhile, the rest are in stable condition.

3. At this time as well, a total **2,065 individuals** have completed their quarantine in accordance to the Infectious Disease Act (Chapter 204) and only **280 individuals** who are still undergoing quarantine.

4. As of today, 113 individuals have completed their self-isolation period in isolation facilities provided by the Government and are allowed to return to their respective homes, bringing the total number to **326 individuals**. Since early January 2020, a total of 8,129 laboratory tests for COVID-19 have been conducted, leading to a ratio of 1 in 54 individuals in the country that has been tested for COVID-19.
5. The Ministry of Health would like express our deepest appreciation towards all the efforts and cooperation that has been extended by all parties, whether it is from Government agencies, non-government agencies, volunteer bodies, and the general public, who have all played a part in ensuring that the COVID-19 outbreak in Brunei Darussalam is well implemented. As stated many times before, although the state of the COVID-19 outbreak in the country is under control, our country is still under threat from the influx of the virus from outside the country. Therefore, we still need to take precautionary measures including to continue to practice social or physical distancing; maintain personal hygiene; practice good cough and sneeze ethic; avoid mass gathering; minimise visits to business establishments in large numbers; and only leave the house if it is necessary. We must keep in mind that the risk of transmission is still present even though it is under control. If we are complacent, the situation can change in the blink of an eye and unwanted events such as lockdown may occur.
6. 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**

- END -

Reference : KK/PR/2

Date : 11 Syaaban 1441H / 05 April 2020