MEDIA STATEMENT

ON THE CURRENT SITUATION OF COVID-19
IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

22 Rabiulakhir 1442 / 08 December 2020

1. The Ministry of Health would like to announce that today, Tuesday, 22 Rabiulakhir 1442H / 08 December 2020, there is 1 new case of COVID-19 infection in the country, bringing the total number of COVID-19 cases in Brunei Darussalam to 152 cases.

- Case 152 is a man aged 39 years old who arrived in Brunei Darussalam on Royal Brunei BI874 flight on 27 November 2020 from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He showed no signs of infection and is currently being treated and monitored at the National Isolation Centre. The contact tracing has identified a total of six (6) contacts of which they have undergone the COVID-19 swab test and were confirmed negative for COVID-19.
2. With the detection of this latest case, there are **two active cases** being treated at the National Isolation Centre. Therefore, a total of **147 cases** have been confirmed recovered.

3. At present, a total of **11 import cases** have been confirmed since the last local infection case was reported on 6 May 2020, where, Brunei Darussalam has recorded **216 days** without COVID-19 local infection case.

4. Today, a total of **613 individuals** are undergoing mandatory self-isolation at the monitoring centers provided by the Government, which are individuals that have just arrived in this country after traveling from abroad. At present, a total of **9,041 individuals** have completed their mandatory self-isolation at the monitoring centers.

5. In the past 24 hours, a total of **101 samples** have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **78,564 tests**.
6. The Ministry of Health would like to remind the public to practice their social responsibilities by maintaining personal hygiene, practice proper cough and sneeze etiquette, recommended to wear a face mask in crowded public places and if feeling unwell, not to go to public places and attend social gatherings. As per the provisions under the Infectious Diseases Act (Section 204), the public is required to comply with all regulations and instructions that have been issued and are still in force during this COVID-19 pandemic.

7. The Ministry of Health will continue to monitor the situation of the outbreak at the national as well as regional and global level and will notify the public of any changes to this situation, if necessary from time to time.

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 BruHealth App.
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