



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

27 Syawal 1441 / 19 June 2020

1. The Ministry of Health would like to inform the public that today, Friday, 27 Syawal 1441 / 19 June 2020, Alhamdulillah with 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 141 cases.**
2. At this time, **17 individuals** are currently undergoing quarantine in accordance to the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204) and a total of **2,806 individuals** have completed their quarantine and are in good condition.
3. In the past 24 hours, a total of **264 samples** have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **26,195 tests.**

4. Furthermore, since the COVID-19 outbreak was first reported in early January 2020, The Government of His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam have implemented several preventive measures to ensure the safety and well-being of the people in this country is guaranteed. This was supported by an amendment to the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204) which came into force on 30 January 2020. Some directives have been issued under Chapter 62(A) of the Act as shown on the screen.

5. In this regard, the Ministry of Health would like to remind the public that they are required to comply with all the directives and regulations issued by the Ministry of Health to control the spread of the COVID-19 outbreak in the country. Any person found to be in violation of or disobey any directives issued shall be an offense under the Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 204). The Ministry of Health would also like to inform the public that with the consent of His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, health officers under the Ministry of Health and the Royal Brunei Police Force are also authorized to impose compound fines up to \$5,000 to anyone found to be in violation of the directives issued. Meanwhile, tougher legal action can also be taken against anyone found guilty who can be brought to court and on conviction, can lead to a fine of up to \$10,000

or a jail term of up to 6 months or both. The information of the compound fines is as shown on the screen.

6. Following the announcement on the **Bruhealth App**, Alhamdulillah at this time a total of **390,834 individuals** have registered to the application. In addition to that, a total of **9,817 companies and premises** have registered for the BruHealth application. Meanwhile, a total of **5,326 business premises** have downloaded the **PremiseScan application**.

7. 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** or the app **healthinfo.gov.bn**

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