



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

23 Jamadilawal 1442 / 07 January 2021

1. The Ministry of Health would like to announce that today, Thursday, 23 Jamadilawal 1442H / 07 January 2021, **there is one (1) new case** of COVID-19 infection in the country, bringing the total number of COVID-19 cases in Brunei Darussalam to 173 cases.
 - Case 173 is a man aged 38 years old who arrived in Brunei Darussalam on SQ148 flight on 25 December 2020 via Singapore from Indonesia. He showed no signs of infection and is currently being monitored and treated at the National Isolation Centre. The contact tracing for this case is still being conducted.

2. With the detection of the new case, a total of 21 active cases are being treated at the National Isolation Centre. From these active cases, one case is still admitted at the Intensive Care Unit for intensive monitoring and treatment while the rest are in stable condition.

3. Meanwhile, with the detection of the new case, a total of **32 import cases** have been confirmed since the last local infection case was reported on 6 May 2020, where, Brunei Darussalam has recorded **246 days** without COVID-19 local infection case.

4. Today, a total of **700 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 **10,765 individuals** have completed their mandatory self-isolation at the monitoring centers.

5. In the past 24 hours, a total of **382 samples** have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **84,830 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 gatherings or events. 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. 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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