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SELANGOR continues to lead the list of highest new daily Covid-19 cases with 532 registered yesterday.

This was followed by Sabah with 283 cases and Negri Sembilan with 260, said Health director-general Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah.

The country yesterday recorded 1,371 new cases and saw the emergence of two new clusters, he said.

He said from Selangor's 532 cases, 420 originated from existing clusters and close-contact screenings.

Cumulative cases stood at 84,846, with 13,830 being active cases, he said.

Dr Noor Hisham said 72 of the cases reported yesterday were linked to prison clusters, with 48 linked to the Tembok cluster, Jalan Harapan prison cluster (22), Matambai Prison cluster and Keperayan prison cluster (one).

There were 1,204 recoveries yesterday, raising the total to 70,597.

He said four deaths related to Covid-19 were reported over the

past 24 hours, involving three Malaysian women and a foreign man.

He said the first case (case 52,589) was a 40-year-old woman who died at Labuan Hospital.

The second death (case 67,912) was a 50-year-old woman with a history of diabetes, hypertension and dyslipidaemia, who died at Raja Permaisuri Bainun Hospital in Ipoh.

"Case 80,659 was a 46-year-old woman who died at Tawau Hospital. She had a history of hy-

pertension, dyslipidaemia and obesity. The fourth victim was a 54-year-old foreign man who died at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Kota Kinabalu."

He announced the emergence of two new workplace clusters: Solar Ria and Senu Setia clusters from Selangor and Kuala Lumpur, respectively.

The Solar Ria cluster involved the Sepang, Kuala Selangor, Gombak, Petaling and Hulu Langat districts in Selangor. To date, 2,339 people have been screened

with 25 cases detected, involving nine Malaysians and 16 foreigners.

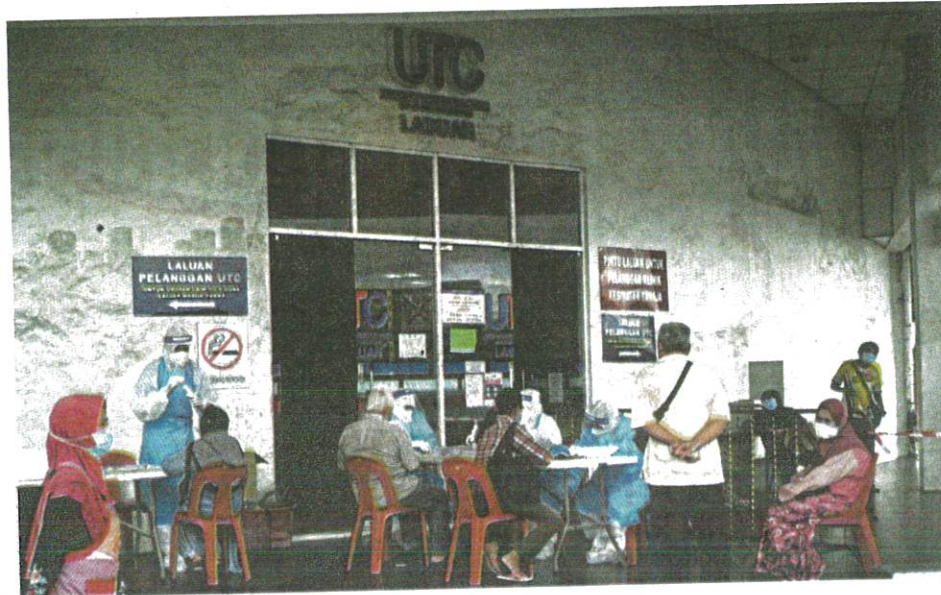
The Senu Setia cluster was detected in Kepong. Twenty-six people have been screened with 13 testing positive.

Dr Noor Hisham announced that the national Covid-19 infectivity rate, R naught (R0), stood at 1.1 yesterday.

He said yesterday's total number of cases was slightly lower than the projection of 1,453 cases.

"Our R0 started at 2.2 in Sept 12. Without the implementation of the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO), it was projected that four million Malaysians would have been infected.

"With the CMCO, we have brought down the R0 from 2.2 to 1.1. We recorded 1,229 cases yesterday (Sunday), slightly lower than the projected 1,453 cases, and today (yesterday), we have 1,371 cases, which is also lower than what was projected."



Health Ministry personnel conducting swab tests in Labuan yesterday.
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