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People queuing up for temperature checks at the entrance to the Salak Selatan LRT station in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. PIC BY SAIFULLIZAN TAMADI

ALL LOCAL TRANSMISSIONS

SELANGOR TOPS VIRUS LIST AS CASES SOAR

2,188 positive cases spell another daily record high with over 70 per cent from Selangor alone

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SELANGOR contributes more than 70 per cent of Covid-19 cases in the country, as the nation recorded its highest daily Covid-19 positive cases since the pandemic began.

Health director-general Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah said

the Teratai cluster in Selangor contributed the majority of cases at 1,511 from the record number of 2,188 Covid-19 positive cases yesterday.

Dr Noor Hisham said all were local transmissions.

"Selangor continues to record the highest number of Covid-19 cases with 1,623 (74.2 per cent) followed by Sabah at 232 cases and Perak (112).

"The total active cases in the country is 14,353," he said in a statement yesterday.

Dr Noor Hisham said other existing clusters recorded a total of 107 cases (4.9 per cent) and they were from Tembok cluster (103), Penjara Seberang Perai cluster (2), Kepayan Prison cluster (1) and Sandakan Prison cluster (1).

Four fatalities were recorded yesterday, bringing the total

deaths due to Covid-19 to 341.

"There are 112 patients currently being treated at the Intensive Care Unit, with 49 requiring ventilator support," he said.

Dr Noor Hisham said 1,673 cases had recovered, adding to the cumulative total of 44,153 cases.

He also said the drastic increase in Covid-19 cases in the Klang Valley involved clusters at workplaces, with 119 clusters detected in factories and construction sites.

"The ministry has screened 77,201 individuals from the clusters and found 12,079 had tested positive for Covid-19. They involved 4,398 locals and 7,681 foreigners," he said.

The five clusters with the most cases recorded since the pandemic began were Teratai cluster with 4,036 cases (since Nov 7)