

# Update 16: Malaysia - Plans to Lift 'State of Emergency' Amid Spike in COVID-19 Cases

- Malaysia's government will not extend a controversial COVID-19 state of emergency beyond August 1, 2021, a minister said, as parliament convened after a months-long suspension that sparked widespread anger
- The king in January 2021, declared the country's first nationwide state of emergency in more than half a century to fight COVID-19, following the advice of Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin
- It allowed the government to rule by decree and suspend Parliament, prompting critics to accuse Muhyiddin of using the crisis to avoid a no-confidence vote and shore up his weak coalition
- Despite the emergency and a nationwide lockdown, the outbreak only worsened, fuelled by the highly infectious Delta variant
- Malaysia's caseload breached the one million mark at the weekend, and there have been around 8,000 deaths
- Facing mounting public anger and pressure from the king, Muhyiddin agreed to reconvene the legislature for a five-day sitting before the state of emergency officially ends next month
- However, the city council of Seberang Perai announced to enforce COVID-19 standard operating procedures (SOPs) even after the Emergency is lifted
- The City Council Mayor Datuk Rozali Mohamud said the council could also apply the by-laws in areas of public health and licensing for the same purpose
- All business operators and members of the public are advised to continue adhering to the SOPs such as wearing face masks, registering with the MySejahtera app, recording body temperature, and maintaining physical distance in public places
- On July 27, Malaysia reported 207 deaths from COVID-19 for the second consecutive day, with the number of critically ill patients also reaching another high
- The number of cases in the intensive care unit also hit another new record with 1,023 patients warded, of these, 524 require respiratory support
- A total of 16,117 new COVID-19 cases were also identified, Malaysia's second-highest daily tally after more than 17,000 infections were reported two days ago on July 25
- The Klang Valley comprised more than half of the new cases with 6,616 in Selangor and 2,457 in Kuala Lumpur
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Malaysia:
  - 1. Confirmed Cases: 1,061,476
  - 2. Deaths: 8,551 (0.80%)
  - 3. Recoveries: 877,812 (82.69%)
  - 4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 18,393,347
  - 5. Fully Vaccinated: 5,905,906 (18%)
- Supply Wisdom will continue to monitor and issue alerts for any relevant developments

# Source(s)

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July 28, 2021

IMPACT LEVEL:

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# Targets Affected:

Malaysia

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

### Guidance

Actions to consider:

• Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' and 'Business Recovery/Lifting Restrictions' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page



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#### July 23, 2021

Update 15: Malaysia - Philippines to Impose Travel Ban on Malaysia Due to Spike in COVID-19 Cases

#### July 15, 2021



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Update 14: Malaysia - Reports Spike in New Daily Cases of COVID-19 for Third straight Day

#### July 9, 2021

Update 13: Malaysia - Reports Record COVID-19 Deaths and Spike in New Daily Cases

#### July 4, 2021

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Update 12: Malaysia - Plans to Ease Lockdown Restrictions in Five States Effective July 05, 2021

#### June 28, 2021



Update 11: Malaysia - Indefinitely Extends Lockdown Measures to Curb Spread of COVID-19 Cases

#### June 12, 2021

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Update 10: Malaysia - Extends COVID-19 Restrictions Until June 28, 2021

#### June 2, 2021

Update 9: Malaysia - Imposes Nationwide Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

#### May 29, 2021



Update 8: Malaysia - Imposes Partial Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases



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Update 7: Malaysia - Tightens Restrictions Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

#### May 18, 2021



Update 6: Selangor, Malaysia - Plans to Impose Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

#### May 11, 2021



Update 5: Malaysia - Imposes Nationwide Lockdown Until June 07, 2021, Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

#### May 8, 2021

Update 4: Malaysia - Imposes Travel Ban for Pakistan and Several Other Asian Countries Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

#### May 6, 2021



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Update 3: Malaysia - Plans to Impose Restrictions Starting May 7, 2021, Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

#### May 3, 2021

High

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Update 2: Malaysia - Reports First Case of COVID-19 Indian Variant

#### April 27, 2021

Update 1: Malaysia - Bans Entry of Travelers from India, Effective April 28, 2021 to Curb the Spread COVID-19

#### April 22, 2021



Malaysia - Reports 2,875 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 384,688



# Impact level Definitions

Impact Level	Definitions
Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.