



**OUR ROADMAP FOR
MALAYSIA TO SAFELY EXIT
THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**



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The National Recovery Plan

The National Recovery Plan (NRP) is a roadmap to control the COVID-19 pandemic and to enable progressive reopening of society, anchored on the following **5 key features:**

It is a forward-looking plan that balances lives and livelihoods

It will remain dynamic and will be updated frequently through the NRP portal so that the pandemic strategies can evolve with the latest scientific evidence

It sets out to provide transparency and clarity on what factors are taken into account in taking decisions and what measures the Government intends to take towards recovery

It takes a Whole-of-Nation approach combining the efforts of the public sector, the private sector, NGOs and most importantly the *Rakyat*

It represents the basis on which the Government will monitor and track progress.

The NRP is the fourth step as part of the Government's 6R approach to combating the pandemic which are; Resolve, Resilience, Restart, **Recovery**, Revitalise and Reform. It will be fully integrated with the **Recovery** initiatives laid out under Budget 2022 and the **Reform** efforts under the Twelfth Malaysia Plan.



THREAD AND WEAVE CONCEPT

A single thread may be strong.

But many threads, woven together, are always stronger than any single one alone.

In our 64 years as a nation, our foundation has always been our unity in diversity.

In these unprecedented times, we need the strength of many.

Coming together for Malaysia.

We need collective strength, because our 34 million fellow Malaysians need us to be strong.

For each other.

For our future.

And for our beloved country. Let's come together, to win together.

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The National Recovery Plan represents a new approach to planning under uncertainty. The plan and the measures which it contains will be updated progressively based on the latest scientific evidence on the prevailing situation and an assessment of various planning scenarios.

The NRP portal has been established as an integrated platform for all of the pandemic management measures being undertaken by the Government including the latest Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), support packages and other relevant information for Rakyat and businesses.

The official report for the NRP and subsequent updates can be found at the following:



<http://www.pelanpemulihannegara.gov.my>

The Four-Phase Roadmap to Ease Restrictions

This roadmap is a four-phase plan to ease restrictions in Malaysia as fairly and as quickly as possible while achieving all five objectives of the NRP. Before deciding to shift a specific state into a new phase, the Government will review the Common Operating Picture to holistically assess risks. Three headline indicators currently provide a pulse check on progress against the NRP objectives

Three Headline Indicators	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Vaccination rate % of eligible population fully vaccinated	10%	40%	60%	
Daily new cases 7-day average	< 4,000	< 2,000	< 500	
Utilisation of ICU % of available ICU beds utilised	Moderate	Adequate	Adequate	
		As in Phase 1 with the following additions	As in Phase 2 with the following additions	As in Phase 3 with the following additions
Social, community & religious activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual outdoor exercise Marriage and funerals (10 pax) Prayer groups* No social gatherings 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All sports House guests subject to group size limits Marriage and funerals* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social gatherings* Prayer groups at venue capacity
Education & child care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools closed Higher learning institutes face-to-face allowed in specific circumstances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National exams and face-to-face learning for cohorts taking exams in all schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergartens and child enrichment centres open Schools and higher learning institutes reopen in stages 	
Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential services* Restaurant takeaway Daily market with limited hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expanded list of sectors permitted to operate with higher capacity limits in selected sectors* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All sectors except high risk sectors* Dine-in-service (2 pax per table)* Night and weekly markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All sectors to operate Dine-in service with SOPs* Live performance*
Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic needs only, 10km and 2 pax No crossing states and districts 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domestic travel within state for groups of limited size 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inter-state domestic tourism International tourism (country dependent)

* opening subject to capacity limits

Enhanced Movement Control Orders (EMCOs)

✓ Targeted set of measures to enhance virus transmission control in high-risk areas

✓ May be applied independently during any phase to target specific clusters within a state

Looking ahead:

The Government is studying the following measures to continuously adapt the phased approach based on the latest scientific evidence

✓ **Evolving the metrics for thresholds**
With ramp up vaccination, focus will shift to monitoring hospitalisation and death rates

✓ **Vaccine privileges**
Rakyat and businesses with employees who are fully vaccinated

Strengthening the Healthcare Response

The healthcare system will be strengthened across three pillars: breaking the chain of transmission, reducing morbidity and mortality and maintaining sufficient support for non-COVID healthcare needs. Key highlights include:



Expansion of testing efforts via more testing solutions made available to individuals and employers. The MDA has granted conditional approval for two COVID-19 self-test kits as of 15 July 2021



Ramping up tracing of close contacts for isolation through a technology-led approach leveraging mobile data



Strengthening support for those undergoing home quarantine through General Practitioner (GP) visits support hotlines and self-monitoring tools



Providing surge support for the Greater Klang Valley for testing, vaccination & hospital capacity with additional allocation of RM300 million



Expediting processes to bring in new treatment drugs to shorten recovery time

The Greater Klang Valley Taskforce

The Greater Klang Valley Taskforce was established on 8 July 2021 to address the urgent and critical situation arising from the surge in COVID-19 cases in Klang Valley and parts of Perak, Pahang and Negeri Sembilan. The taskforce will be focusing on driving and executing across seven actions:

1 Ramp-up ICU and bed capacity through greater public and private sector partnerships

2 Reinforce FTTIS system (find, test, trace, isolate and support)

3 Reduce hospitalisation and deaths by strengthening support and monitoring for cases isolated at home

4 Replenish supply of medications, oxygen cylinders, ventilators, disposables to avoid shortfalls at all costs

5 Reinvigorate support and motivate frontliners through redeployment and capacity expansion

6 Rapid acceleration of vaccinations eligible Greater Klang Valley with a goal of 100% adults receiving their 1st dose of vaccine by 1 Aug

7 Revitalise public communications and engagement to support home isolation and vaccination outreach

Immunising the Rakyat

Vaccines lie at the heart of Malaysia's reopening. Malaysia's COVID-19 immunisation strategy includes ensuring vaccine safety and efficacy, increasing deployment of vaccinations and prioritising recipients according to health risk.

79.9 million vaccine doses acquired

October 2021
Target for 100% vaccination of eligible population

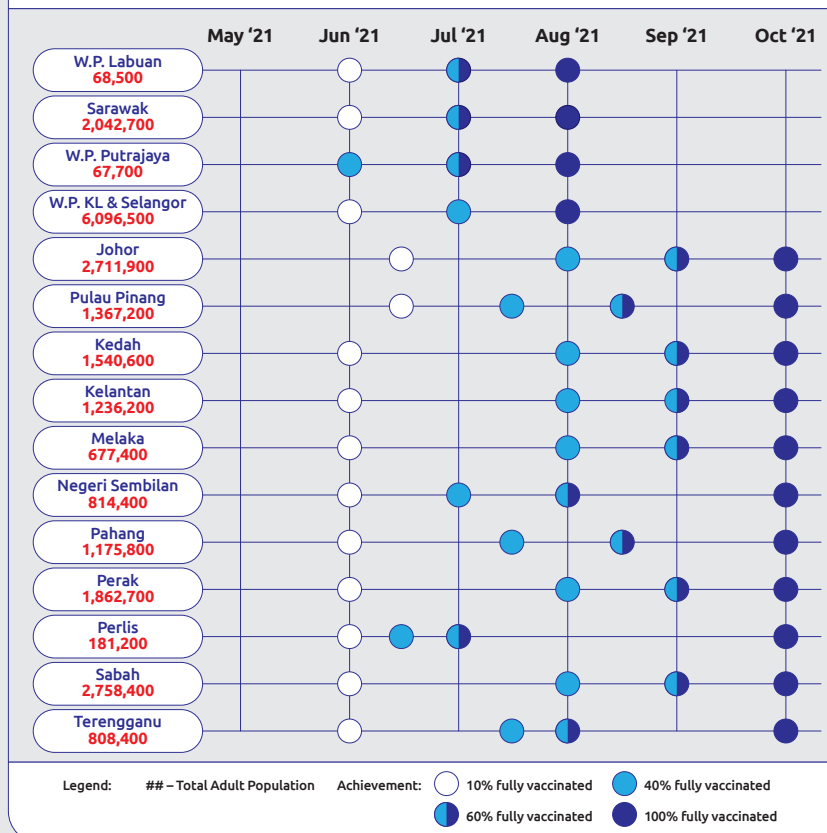
81% of eligible population registered¹

400,000 doses per day, the fastest rate per capita² in the world

Genomic surveillance by IMR to assess vaccination impact on herd immunity

Domestic vaccine production being studied under National Vaccine Development Roadmap

Vaccination timeline for eligible population by state





¹Subject to eligible and registered individual for vaccination

²As of 18 July 2021

Supporting *Rakyat* and Businesses

To tackle the impact of the pandemic on the *Rakyat* and businesses, the Government has launched various financial packages focusing on safeguarding livelihoods. The key features of the Government's most recent RM150 billion PEMULIH packages are shown below:

	 Rakyat	 Businesses	The PEMULIH support is additional to past support packages, of which RM100 billion will be continued to be implemented in second half 2021. This includes of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jaringan Prihatin subsidy for internet or purchase of new devices MyKasih for purchase of essential food items Targeted Assistance and Rehabilitation Facility (TRRF) support for SMEs
Direct Cash Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bantuan Khas COVID-19 (BKC) Additional Bantuan Prihatin Rakyat (BPR) Bantuan Kehilangan Pendapatan (BKP) Cash assistance for disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wage Subsidy Programme 4.0 (PSU 4.0) Geran Khas Prihatin 4.0 (GKP 4.0) Penjana Kerjaya Program 3.0 Small Entrepreneur Digitisation Empowerment Programme (PUPUK) 	
Financing Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loan moratorium i-Citra Deferment on payment of insurance premium and takaful contributions Deferment of education loan payment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loan moratorium Microcredit financing Funding for SME entrepreneurs Government guarantee schemes Program Jaringan Inisiatif Umum (JITU) Pembiayaan Intervensi Pemulihan Ekonomi Koperasi (PIPEK) 	
Other Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Basket assistance programme Mental health support services Electricity bill discount Free 1GB internet data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tax deferrals, exemptions and rental relief Targeted support for hard-hit industries such as creative industries, nursery operators, sports industry, travel agencies, canteen operators, spa and reflexology operators 	

Here we illustrate the types of support the *Rakyat* and businesses might experience:

Note:
The examples are purely illustrative and is not intended to be exhaustive.



Aisyah is a 35 year-old single-mother of two children, who lost her job as a domestic helper five months ago. Her household income is less than RM1,000 per month.

Support for Aisyah	1H 2021	2H 2021
Cash Assistance	RM3,000	RM6,500
Direct cash assistance	RM1,200	RM3,700
EIS/Job Seeker allowance	-	RM1,000
Assistance for Children of Poor Families	RM1,800	RM1,800
Other Assistance	100	RM810
Electricity bill discount	-	RM60
Food Basket Assistance programme	RM100	RM450
Jaringan Prihatin	-	RM300



Burger Sedap Enterprise is a frozen and fast food company with 4 employees, a total annual income of RM200,000 and has been renting a MARA-owned premise.

Support for Burger Sedap Enterprise	1H 2021	2H 2021
Cash Assistance	RM2,000	RM1,500
Additional Geran Khas Prihatin (GKP)	RM1,000	
Geran Khas Prihatin 3.0	RM1,000	RM500
Geran Khas Prihatin 4.0		RM1,000
Other Assistance	RM33,600	RM41,171
Electricity bill discount	-	RM71
Deferment of premise rental	-	RM7,500
Loan Moratorium	RM24,000	RM24,000
Wage Subsidy Programme	RM9,600	RM9,600

Whole-of-Nation Approach

Successfully executing this roadmap to ease restrictions will require a Whole-of-Nation approach where Ministries, frontline workers, public safety personnel, volunteers, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and the *rakyat* work in concert to manage COVID-19. Cooperation will be critical for every single element of the NRP - from mobilising private healthcare providers to provide surge capacity in crisis areas, ramping up mass testing efforts, driving vaccination registrations and rates, and reaching the segments of society that need help the most during this difficult period.

This Whole-of-Nation approach will be anchored by a new coordination body, the National Recovery Council (NRC), to ensure that decisions are taken on a common set of information across all bodies involved in the Pandemic response, a Common Operating Picture will be used, linked to the five objectives of the NRP.



To protect public health by managing transmissions, minimising hospitalisations and deaths

- **New cases****
- Cases rates
- Transmission, R number
- Hospitalisation rates
- Mortality rates



To ensure that the healthcare system can cope in a sustainable manner

- **ICU utilisation****
- Beds utilisation
- Healthcare staff capacity
- Daily tests
- Positivity rate



To deploy vaccinations as quickly as possible to protect the *rakyat*

- **Vaccination rate (fully vaccinated)****
- Vaccination rate (1-dose)
- Registration rate
- Inventory days



To reopen society and the economy as fairly and as quickly as possible

- Job creation and unemployment
- Company closures and formation
- Consumer confidence
- Mental health indicators



To be responsive and flexible in adapting to the evolving environment

- Percentage infection by Variants of Concern
- New scientific evidence and international approaches

** = *Headline indicators for thresholds*

The Next Normal

Living with COVID-19

There is increasing consensus amongst the scientific community that COVID-19 will not be eradicated in the near future and will continue to circulate in pockets across the world as an endemic disease. The Government is currently studying a broad set of options to manage COVID-19 as an endemic disease, including measures such as:

- ✓ Continuous epidemiological monitoring
- ✓ Continuation of targeted testing and isolation to contain outbreaks
- ✓ Boosters or multi-year vaccination programmes
- ✓ Management of long COVID-19 cases
- ✓ Normalising public health practices such as masking, good personal hygiene and ventilation for households, businesses and industries
- ✓ Ramping up domestic vaccine research and vaccine production
- ✓ Adoption of new ventilation guidelines

Towards Resilience and Reform

As the nation looks to recover from this unprecedented crisis, there is an imperative to build back stronger. As such, the Budget 2022 and Twelfth Malaysia Plan (RMKe-12) have been formulated to address both near term economic revitalisation efforts to guide Malaysia's reopening, and medium term strategies to structurally reform the economy.

Highlights of the **3R** focus for Budget 2022

Driving economic **RECOVERY**

Stimulating growth and facilitating recovery of principal sectors

Rehabilitating sectors and segments most adversely affected by the impact of COVID-19

Maintaining Malaysia's expansionary fiscal policy to support recovery

Rebuilding **RESILIENCE**

Continuing the focus on healthcare systems and capacity

Broadening the scope for social protection

Rebuilding inclusiveness through digitalisation

Regaining financial and fiscal resilience through a new Fiscal Responsibility Act

Catalysing **REFORM**

Finding new sources of growth from higher value added activities

Developing distinctive Malaysian capabilities and Future Ready Talent

Transitioning to the Green Economy

Transforming GLCs and public service delivery through Whole-of-Nation approach

It has been 18 months since the pandemic landed on Malaysia's shores and the nation is fatigued.

COVID-19 has disrupted the lives of every Malaysian and all who live here. The nation's healthcare frontliners are exhausted. Many have lost loved ones, and many are also struggling to make ends meet. Parts of the nation are still in crisis where necessary - where painful, but necessary measures are being taken to control the pandemic swiftly.

But there are signs of hope. Malaysia has one of the highest vaccination rates in Southeast Asia, second only to the city-state of Singapore and more than 2x the vaccination rates of Thailand and Indonesia. By the end of August 2021, over 1 in every 2 eligible Malaysians will have received two doses of their vaccines. **This is the nation's path to recovery.**

As of July 2021 over 13 million Malaysians across 8 states are already in Phase 2. More states are expected to join them soon. The Government is firmly committed to supporting the Rakyat and businesses through this difficult period. The support measures will continue so long as many sectors of the economy remain closed. Beyond the crisis, the nation has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to build back better towards the nation has a valuable opportunity to build a more united, resilient and prosperous nation.

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