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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **MINISTER OF TRANSPORT MALAYSIA**

#### **MOT, MOSTI AND KKM COLLABORATE TO EXPEDITE VACCINATION PROGRAMME IN TRANSPORT SECTOR**

Throughout the Movement Control Order (MCO), the transport sector is part of the essential services that continue to operate 24 hours 7 days a week to ensure that the people's lives and the movement of goods and passengers are not affected. In view of that, the Ministry of Transport (MOT), in collaboration with the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) and the Ministry of Health (KKM), has launched the Transportation Sector Vaccination Programme that covers maritime, aviation and land transport services.

MOT had received approval from the COVID-19 Immunisation Task Force (CITF) on 21 June 2021 to implement the vaccination programme for more than 51,500 frontliners in the transport sector, namely seafarers, port workers, airport personnel, and those in land and rail transport services. Transport operators that are involved in this programme will contribute to costs of establishing the vaccination centre (PPV - pusat pemberian vaksin). The vaccination supplies will be borne by the Government.

In this regard, the first vaccination programme for the transportation sector will start with the vaccination programme through the maritime sector private PPV managed by the Port Klang Authority (LPK) on 25 June 2021 at Dewan Kelab Sukan Lembaga Pelabuhan Klang (LPK) in Port Klang, Selangor. This programme will involve 10,000 seafarers and port workers with a capacity of 1,000 recipients per day. LPK will also supervise the port workers while the Central Mercantile Marine Fund (CMMF) through the Marine Department of Malaysia (JLM) will manage the seafarers.

This approach will benefit 18,596 or 53% supervisors and port workers in the central region who are eligible to get vaccinated in this first phase. The total number of supervisors and port workers in Malaysia is 59,155. The eligibility of the recipients is determined by KKM and takes into consideration various factors, including pregnant or nursing mothers, or other medical factors.

The vaccination programme for the transport sector will continue for those in the aviation sector, beginning 5 July 2021 at the KLIA Main Terminal, which will involve 22,243 airport workers, airline staff and cargo workers.

For the land transport sector that involves public land transport, a few PPV will also be opened at several locations throughout the country to ensure that 19,259 rail attendants and bus drivers are vaccinated soon.



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At the same time, MOT and CITF are coordinating the vaccination programme for an estimated 355,064 taxi/e-hailing drivers, bus drivers and p-hailing riders. This programme will be implemented under public PPV and the Government will fully bear the costs.

The vaccination for the maritime sector is held today in conjunction with the Day of the Seafarers, which is celebrated yearly on 25 June. Seafarers, who are the backbone of the shipping sector, should be given priority as the movement of goods and supplies for the country depends on a sustainable shipping and port sector.

MOT is committed to working together with CITF to make the National Covid-19 Immunisation Programme (PICK) a success and to ensure that workers in the transport sector are vaccinated expeditiously.

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