

National Covid-19 infectivity rate declining

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Public who boarded LRT trains observed standard operating procedures (SOPs) by wearing face masks during the COVID-19 outbreak prevention survey at the Masjid Jamek LRT, Kuala Lumpur.- NSTP/AIZUDDIN SAAD

KUALA LUMPUR: Perak reported the highest Covid-19 infectivity rate (R_t) in the country at 1.32 on Sunday.

Health director-general Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah said, the national infectivity rate stood at 1.05. Only Johor reported a lower R_t value than the national average, at 1.00.

Meanwhile, Health Minister Khairy Jamaluddin noted that the daily R_t value has been on a steady decline since Feb 13, when it was at 1.43.

"Our daily R_t has steadily come down to 1.05. Too early to say we have gone past Omicron peak.

"A total 96 per cent of active cases are recovering at home and hospital capacity is under control.

"If (this) trend continues, full border opening and more relaxed domestic measures will follow," he said in a tweet today.

Malaysia, up to Sunday, had 300,692 active Covid-19 cases and 484 active clusters.