

PRESS RELEASE

HAND-FOOT-MOUTH DISEASE

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I would like to touch on the following issues during this press conference

1. Statistics on Hand Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD) as of 15/03/2006 at 10.00am:

Total cumulative reported cases : 4,827

Divisions with the highest number of cumulative cases are as follows:

- Sibu - 1,810
- Bintulu - 685
- Miri - 642
- Kuching - 604
- Sarikei - 362
- Mukah - 341

Total new reported cases : 254

Divisions with the highest number of new cases are as follows:

- Miri - 91
- Mukah - 34
- Sibu - 28
- Kuching - 27
- Bintulu - 23

Total number of cumulative admissions : 660

Divisions with the highest number of cumulative admission are as follows:

- Sibu - 324
- Bintulu - 93
- Miri - 68
- Mukah - 39
- Sarikei - 30
- Kuching - 30

No. of new admission : 35

- Sibu Hospital - 12
- Bintulu Hospital - 9
- Kapit Hospital - 6

No. of HFMD patients still in the ward : 90

Seriously Ill Cases

The number of serious cases is 2. (One in Kapit and One in Bintulu)