

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 22/03/2006 at 10.00am:

Total cumulative reported cases : 6044

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

1. Sibu	-	1983
2. Miri	-	892
3. Bintulu	-	793
4. Kuching	-	741
5. Mukah	-	504
6. Sarikei	-	484

Total new reported cases : 232

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

1. Miri	-	63
2. Sarikei	-	37
3. Sibu	-	29
4. Kapit	-	25
5. Mukah	-	23
6. Kuching	-	17

Total number of cumulative admissions : 941

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

1. Sibu	-	395
2. Bintulu	-	123
3. Miri	-	79
4. Mukah	-	72
5. Kapit	-	62
6. Sarikei	-	49

No. of new admission : 33

1. Sibu Hospital	-	12
2. Mukah Hospital	-	5
3. Serian Hospital	-	3
4. Kanowit Hospital	-	3
5. Kuching Hospital	-	2

No. of HFMD patients still in the ward : 87

The hospital with the highest number of patients in the ward are :

1. Sibu Hospital	-	25
2. Sarikei Hospital	-	12
3. Kapit Hospital	-	11
4. Kuching Hospital	-	10
5. Bintulu Hospital	-	8

Ill Case: 1

Case from Kapit, 1 year 9 months old female child still in ICU ward, Sibu Hospital. However she has improved and in stable condition.

There are **6 more Primary Schools** were instructed to be closed today. 4 were from Sarikei with 20 cases and 2 were from Mukah with 10 cases.