

Covid-19 cluster in UMS

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KOTA KINABALU: The number of Covid-19 cases in Sabah rose sharply again to 232 on Dec 14 due to a new cluster in Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS).

Six deaths were recorded in Ranau (2), Keningau (1), Penampang (1), Semporna (1) and Tawau (1).

Local Government and Housing Minister Datuk Seri Masidi Manjun said the case index for the higher learning institution cluster is a 22-year-

old male student who lives in a hostel.

"He is a student at the Faculty of Natural Resources who started having symptoms since Dec 1 and was then confirmed positive for Covid-19 through screening at UMS Medical Centre the next day.

"He has completed quarantine at UMS Low Risk Quarantine Center (PKRC). Screening of close contacts found another 40 positive cases consisted of students and UMS staff. The

cumulative number for this cluster are 41 cases.

"All cases were isolated and given appropriate treatment," he said.

Masidi also said 215 out of 232 patients on Tuesday are in Category 1 and 2.

Four patients are in Category 3, three in Category 4 and there are no cases in Category 5.

Ten more cases are still under further evaluation by Sabah Health Department.