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Teachers may be included in first phase of Covid-19 vaccination programme [NSTTV]

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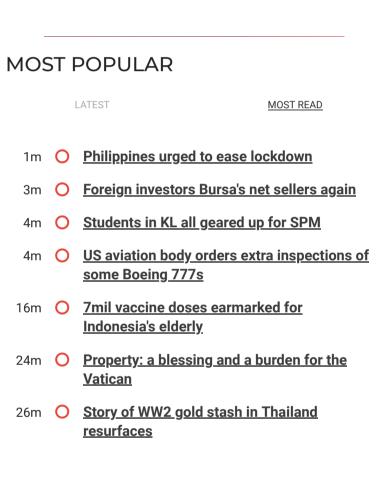


KUALA LUMPUR: The government will consider requests from teachers to be vaccinated in the first phase of the National Covid-19 Immunisation Programme, with schools reopening in less than two weeks.

Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Khairy Jamaluddin said the Special Vaccine Supply Access Guarantee Committee (JKJAV) would ask the Education Ministry to list down priority recipients among teachers to be vaccinated.

"We have been receiving requests from many special groups, and the request from teachers is a reasonable request.

"There are constraints because of (the vaccine) supply, but I've discussed this with (Health Minister) Datuk Seri Dr Adham Baba and Health directorgeneral (Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah), and we will ask the Education Ministry to list down priority recipients among teachers who have comorbidities.



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"We will try to accommodate teachers, but this is also based on risk assessment," he said at a press conference after the arrival of the first batch of Covid-19 vaccines today.

Earlier this morning, the first batch of the Covid-19 Pfizer-BioNTech vaccines arrived at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA), transported by MABkargo Sdn Bhd (MASKargo) via flight MH604.

A total of 312,390 vaccine doses were flown on a Passenger-to-Cargo (P2C) flight using an Airbus 330-300 aircraft that touched down at 10.07am.



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