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Teachers, school staff to be vaccinated ahead of Sept 1 reopening

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KUALA LUMPUR: Teachers and all school staff will be inoculated just in time as for schools to reopen in stages on Sept 1.

Covid-19 National Immunisation Programme (NIP) coordinating minister Khairy Jamaluddin said the government will continue to ensure a safe environment for students when schools conduct physical classes again.

"Efforts are being made with the collaboration of the Education Ministry to make sure not only teachers, but also supporting staff such as janitors, security officers and canteen operators, receive the vaccine.

"We have immunised almost all teachers following the plan to reopen the school in stages. We will update the progress of the vaccination of teachers next week," he said at the Covid-19 Immunisation Task Force (CITF) weekly update held online today.

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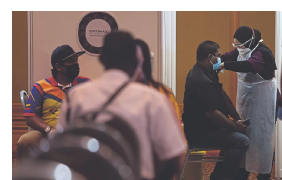
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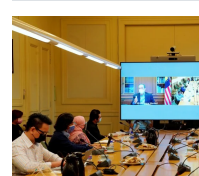
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On July 17, the Education Ministry announced that schools will be conducting physical teaching and learning sessions from Sept 1 after taking into consideration the current vaccination rate in the country.

Khairy said 71.9 per cent of the Klang Valley population aged 18 and above have received their first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine, as of July 22.

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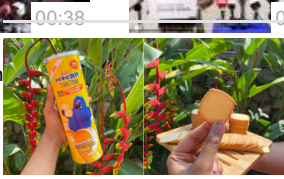
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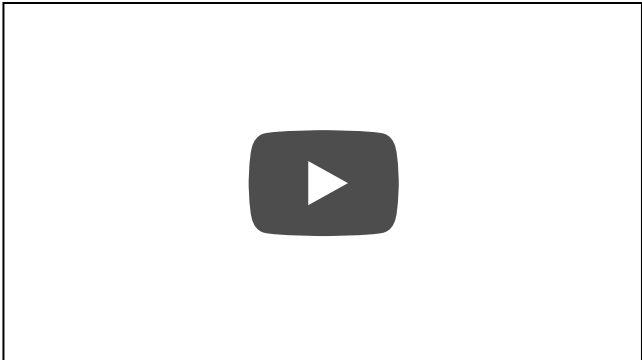
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