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# Sufficient vaccine supply needed to implement walk-in vaccination, says Perak MB

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TANJUNG MALIM (July 24): Perak needs sufficient Covid-19 vaccine supply in order to implement the walk-in vaccination initiative in the state, said Menteri Besar Datuk Saarani Mohamad.

He said this is because the state government already has the required facilities and adequate manpower to carry out the initiative.

“We are able to do [walk-in vaccination] like in Selangor and Kuala Lumpur because our aim is to inoculate as many people and as soon as possible.

“However, we rely on vaccines delivered by MOSTI (the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation), so I appeal for us to get sufficient vaccine supply to complete the vaccination process quickly.”

He said this to reporters after visiting the Covid-19 Vaccination Outreach Mobile Trailer programme for the Batang Padang district at Dewan Semai Bakti Felda Trolak Satu, about 90km away from Ipoh today.

Two Cub Prix motor sport trailers were converted into a mobile vaccination centre for the convenience of residents in Felda Gunung Besout 1 to 6 here in the three-day vaccination programme which began last Thursday.

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Yesterday, Saarani reportedly said that Perak hopes to receive the balance of the vaccine supply by the end of this month to ensure the Covid-19 vaccination rate in the state reaches 40%.

So far, Perak has received 452,610 of the 688,760 doses stipulated and until July 21, a total of 600,627 or 32% of the state’s residents had received the first dose, while 311,793 or 10.8% had completed both doses of their vaccination.

Meanwhile, Saarani said the state government welcomes any efforts by all quarters to help increase vaccination among the people in Perak.

He said the Covid-19 Vaccination Outreach Mobile Trailer programme organised by the Cub Prix Malaysia Fan Club and Safe Aim Mutual Sdn Bhd is among the efforts to help Perak move into the third phase of movement control under the National Recovery Plan by fulfilling one of the threshold values, namely to achieve a 40% vaccination rate.

“We want to prevent FELDA settlers and their children from travelling far to get their vaccine jabs, so a similar initiative can be carried out in other FELDA areas in the state,” he said.

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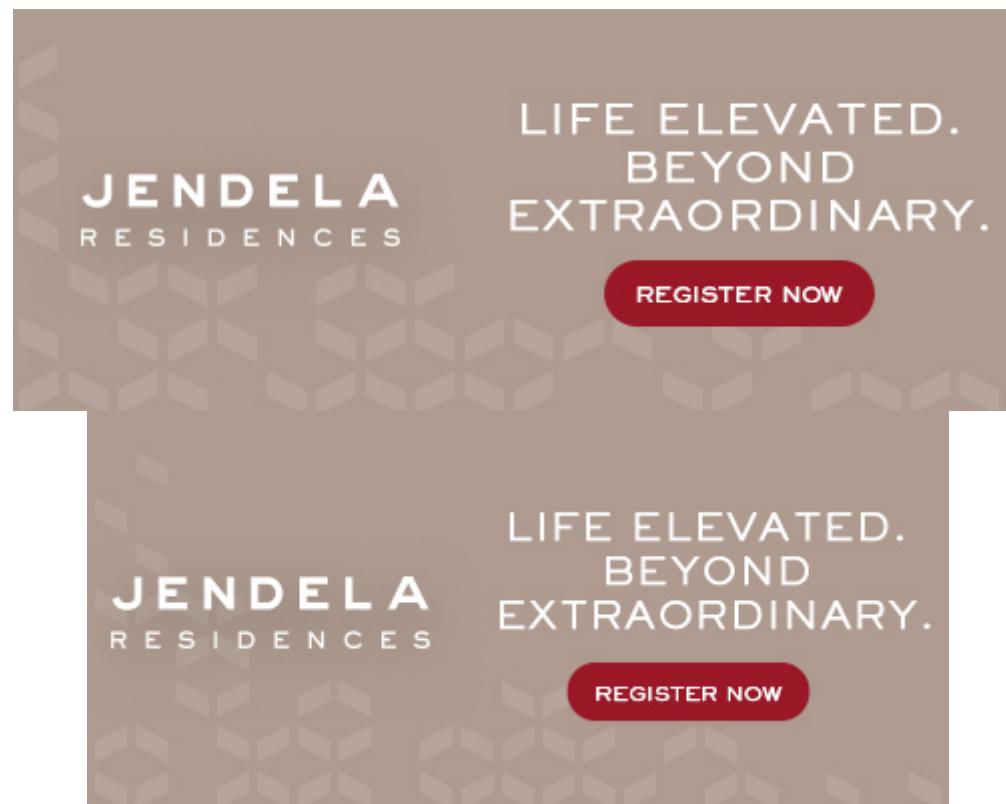


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