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25 investigation papers opened on Covid-19 mismanagement

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Frontline workers put on personal protective equipment in this 2020 file photo.

A total of 25 investigation papers involving various offences on the alleged mismanagement of Covid-19 have been opened, says Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) chief commissioner Azam Baki.

He said MACC would summon those involved to assist in the investigations and would also provide updates on case developments.

"Many individuals have been and will be called as each case is different," he told reporters when questioned after an event in Putrajaya today.

He did not rule out the possibility that the cases involved agencies including the health ministry.

On whether former health minister Dr Adham Baba would be called to help in the investigations, Azam said action would be taken depending on the need.

On May 25, Adham said he would cooperate with MACC following allegations of corruption and misappropriation of acquisitions related to Covid-19.

Adham, who held the portfolio when the country was facing the pandemic, admitted to having personally received such complaints, adding that these had occurred at the administrative level.