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Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr Dzulkefly Ahmad speaking to the media on the coronavirus outbreak during a press conference in Putrajaya. On his right is Health director-general Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah.

PUTRAJAYA: Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr Dzulkefly Ahmad told a news conference here today that three confirmed cases of Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) have been detected in the country.

The three are Chinese citizens who were among eight quarantined at a Johor Baru hotel over the past few days.

The individuals are relatives of a 66-year-old coronavirus patient from Wuhan who is currently being treated in Singapore.

They comprise the man's 65-year-old wife and their two grandsons, aged 2 and 11.

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This morning, the trio was moved to the Sungai Buloh Hospital in Kuala Lumpur, where they have been placed in isolation and are being closely monitored.

They are reportedly in stable condition.

The 36-year-old mother of the two kids, though having tested negative for the coronavirus, was also admitted to keep her children company.

The family was part of a group of 10 Chinese nationals from Wuhan who had flown from Guangzhou to Singapore on Jan 20, before entering Malaysia.



Health officers screen arriving passengers from China with thermal scanners at Changi International airport in Singapore on January 22 as authorities increased measure against coronavirus. -AFP

While in Singapore, the 66-year-old man and his son (the father of the two boys) began presenting with symptoms of the virus and were admitted to hospital.



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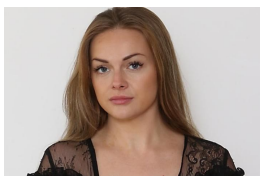
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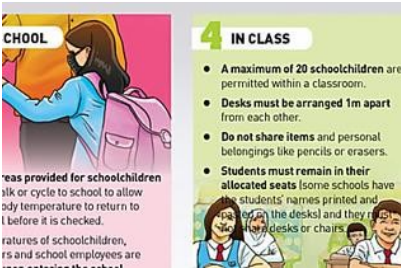


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