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KL mobile vaccination programme wraps up

Initiative for people in socially vulnerable areas ends tomorrow

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THE Federal Territories Ministry's MyMedic@Wilayah Vaccine Truck programme will embark on its last trip when it heads to its final destination — Kampung Malaysia Tambahan in Cheras, Kuala Lumpur — tomorrow.

"We will be dispensing the final doses to the community there from 9am to 5pm," said Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) Health and Environment Department director Dr Umi Ahmad.

"After that, the programme will be completed.

"Kuala Lumpur achieved its herd immunity target last week after 85% of the territory's adult population were vaccinated against Covid-19.

"After this, anyone who wants to be vaccinated will have to walk into any one of the mega vaccination centres (PPV) in the city," she said.

She highlighted that DBKL was currently ramping up the immunisation drive at six more areas in Kuala Lumpur.

The programme first began on June 7 at PPR Kampung Muhibbah.

"The last leg at Kampung Malaysia Tambahan will cover Kampung Malaysia Raya and Razak Mansion neighbourhoods this Saturday (tomorrow)," Dr Umi added.

Based on the latest data provided by the Federal Territories Ministry up until Aug 18, the number of doses dispensed through the MyMedic@Wilayah Vaccine Truck initiative stood at 168,607 for the first dose and 138,172 for the second dose.

About 40 vaccine trucks were used for



People getting vaccinated at the MYMedic@Wilayah Vaccine Mobile Truck at PPR Pantai Ria in Lembah Pantai on June 22. The programme kicked off on June 7. — Filepic

the mass immunisation programme that targeted people living in socially vulnerable areas in the city.

"Our main targets were the elderly, infirmed and persons with disability whereby one truck was utilised for each area," said Dr Umi.

She revealed that responses were mixed, depending on the areas.

"In some places, there was overwhelming response while it was not so in others because many had received their appointment booking via the MySejahtera app, so we had to open up the programme to others

in the area to dispense the vaccine," she said.

Each truck could administer 600 doses per day.

Some 300 people including doctors, nurses and administrative workers were involved in the programme that covered 63 neighbourhoods in Kuala Lumpur, especially the People's Housing Projects.

The mobile vaccine programme is one of the seven new approaches that are part of the Wilayah Cakna 5.0 Initiative.

It is a collaboration between Federal Territories Ministry, Health Ministry, DBKL and Federal Territories Foundation.