

PRESS STATEMENT PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE WORK COLLECTIVELY TO LAUNCH VACCINATED TRAVEL LANE-LAND (VTL-LAND) ON 29 NOVEMBER 2021

Malaysia and Singapore have achieved more than 95 percent rate of vaccinated adult population. This has offered the opportunities for both countries to reopen the land border in a gradual, safe, systematic, and sustainable manner.

Both Governments are collaborating to launch the Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL) on 29 November 2021. The launch of the VTL-Land will coincide with the VTL-Air that will enhance further bilateral and economic relations between both countries. Apart from workers, the VTL-Land will provide the opportunity for Malaysians and Singaporeans on both sides of the Causeway who have been separated from their families due to the COVID-19 pandemic, to be reunited with their loved ones.

The VTL-Land initiative aims to facilitate quarantine-free, seamless cross-border movement integrating health protocol, security, and immigration clearance.

Travellers allowed to take part in the VTL-Land are Malaysia and Singapore citizens and Permanent Residents as well as holders of Malaysia and Singapore Long-term Pass. The travellers must be fully vaccinated and for unvaccinated children below the age of 12, they must be accompanied by vaccinated parents or guardians.

Eligible travellers will be subjected to COVID-19 testing and further health requirements determined by respective country. Currently, the VTL-Land will be limited to only bus transportation as a control mechanism and other modes of transportation will be included in stages.

The Singapore-bound designated VTL-Land bus services will use Larkin Sentral Bus Terminal (Larkin Sentral) as the boarding and disembarkation point in Malaysia, whereas Queen Street Terminal (QST) as the boarding and disembarkation point in Singapore.

Both governments have also agreed for a daily quota not exceeding 1,500 travellers at the initial stage, with weekly increments.

Travellers coming into Malaysia using the VTL-Land need to register at https://mysafetravel.gov.my/ while travellers from Malaysia to Singapore, are required to register at https://go.gov.sg/vtl-portal. This registration is compulsory before any purchase of tickets is made. Details on the VTL-Land requirements can be found on https://www.miti.gov.my and https://www.safetravel.ica.gov.sg/.

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