

## MCO: Govt to impose price control scheme on essential items from Wednesday (April 15)

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**PETALING JAYA:** A price control scheme on essential items will be imposed by the government during the movement control order period (MCO) starting Wednesday (April 15), says Senior Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob.

Ismail said that the price of 12 items will be monitored under the scheme, including chicken, eggs, cooking oil, and wheat flour.

"The government is listening to complaints from the people on how some errant traders have increased the prices of essential items arbitrarily.

"So we will implement a movement control order (MCO) price control scheme from April 15 to 28," said Ismail during a press conference after the National Security Council (MKN) meeting in Putrajaya Tuesday (April 14).

He said that the details on the scheme will be announced by the Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry on Wednesday.

Ismail said that the Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry has been monitoring the prices of 25 essential items, such as chicken, eggs, hand sanitisers, and masks, during the MCO period.

He said that ministry personnel made a visit to 1,133 business premises on Monday (April 13) as part of their daily rounds to monitor the prices of essential items.

“There is enough supply of food and essential items (in the country).

“There is no need to worry despite the start of phase three of MCO tomorrow,” he said.

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