

Govt mulls setting deadline

PM: Move is to ensure a smooth inoculation process

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KOTA KINABALU: The government may consider setting a deadline on Covid-19 vaccination registration to ensure a smooth immunisation process, says Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said the registration could not be allowed to continue forever.

"I propose that maybe we need to set a deadline, we cannot open (the

registration) forever.

"For example let's say if we close by June, those who did not register by the end (of the month) will not get the vaccination.

"This will allow the immunisation committee team to plan everything in detail," he said at the Sabah town hall session on Shared Prosperity Vision 2030 yesterday.

There had been no mention of a deadline for the registration but last month, Coordinating Minister for

the National Covid-19 Immunisation Programme Khairy Jamaluddin stated that registration would remain open until it reaches the target of 80% of the country's population.

Muhyiddin also called on Sabahans to register for the vaccine as soon as possible.

He also said that as studies on the vaccines were not perfected yet, feedback from those vaccinated still had to be obtained.

"We also do not know whether

we need to take the vaccination annually or only once (in our lifetime). So some things we are not sure yet," he said.

"But our target is still 80% of the population to be vaccinated."

Muhyiddin said that to date, over 400,000 frontliners had received the first dose of the vaccine which was close to the 500,000 target.

"More than six million have registered for the vaccine via MySejahtera app so far," he said.