The Indigenous Community (Orang Asli) is a minority community “one of the marginalized sectors of society”. The COVID-19 outbreak and the Movement Control Order (MCO) is a new phenomenon for Malaysians especially the Orang Asli. The study aims to determine the adherence of the movement control order and practices during COVID 19 pandemic among indigenous community.

A cross sectional survey was conducted in Peninsular Malaysia between April to May 2020. Among 224 (40%) Batin/indigenous community leader (from the total 628) via telephone & face to face interview by IPG Kampus Tengku Ampuan Afzan training teacher who had returned to the village because of MCO, using a validated questionnaire.

Study showed that 58.2% of the community knew the reason for the government enforcing MCO. Majority of the community (75%) took upon themselves to control movement in their village to prevent the disease transmission. Movement in and out of the village was due to groceries shopping (73.4%) and to acquire forest products (23.8%). Most of the community had moderate awareness (60.9%) about COVID 19 transmission. Only 9.8% patients were taken to the clinic for suspected COVID 19. Half of the patients (51.2%) were brought to the clinic if they had any symptoms. Upon death, 73.8% were buried by the community during the pandemic.

The good knowledge and how to manage cases at community level shows that the risk comminution strategies implemented by Ministry of Health reach all level of community including Orang Asli. The aspect of managing death patient during pandemic need to be further strengthened to prevent COVID 19 transmission.