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Amid the resurgence of Covid-19 cases, Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (Rehda) Malaysia's Selangor branch has raised its concern over the recent call for a "full scale" lockdown in Selangor.

In a media statement on May 19, Rehda Selangor chairman Datuk Ho Hon Sang said "industries like real estate, constructions, manufacturing, and other service sectors are on the path to recovery and therefore the momentum should be maintained".

The SME Association of Malaysia (SME Malaysia) also expressed its concern and warned that a full lockdown might cause 40% of SMEs to close down their business operations for good.

"The initial report indicates that 91% of SMEs

expect business revenue to be affected by MCO (Movement Control Order) 3.0, with 37.5% of these companies expecting a drop of more than 50% in business performance," SME Malaysia president Datuk Michael Kang said in a statement on May 19.

The American Malaysian Chamber of Commerce (Amcham) said if a lockdown is unavoidable, a negative list should be instituted to ensure the intricate ecosystems are intact.

This should automatically include manufacturing and support services such as medical devices; electrical and electronics, including semiconductor; and information and communication technology and their supporting SMEs, which are crucial to the country.