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Armed Forces player Sharzizi helps to fight Covid-19

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WAY from the Malaysian League battleground, Armed Forces footballer

Sharzizi Azmi is fighting another war on the frontline — against Covid-19.

Sharzizi, who is enlisted in the Royal Malaysian Navy, plays for Armed Forces in the M3 League.

Sharzizi Azmi is helping to enforce the MCO as part of the army.

Though the league has been suspended, the 35-year-old has to sacrifice time away from his children in helping to enforce the MCO as part of the army. So, he duly put aside his football boots for a pair of soldier's boots.

On top of that, his wife Jasmalinda Mohamed is also doing her part to fight Covid-19 as a frontliner, being a nurse at Ampang Hospital.

"Yes, my wife is a nurse and she's rarely home, so between us there's not much family time," said Sharzizi.

"But we have a job to do and both of us understand each other's duties.

"The army is assisting the police. We have not encountered any major problems concerning citizens.

"Of course, there are some stubborn ones, so we need to keep reminding them that they can't go out whenever they feel like it.

"We have to fight this pandemic together and I believe things will get better," he added.

Amid the MCO, Sharzizi and his teammates admit they miss being on the field.

The Armed Forces team are second in the M3 League behind Kuala Lumpur Rovers after two rounds.

"I believe we will return stronger when the league resumes," said Sharzizi.