



Lao People's Democratic Republic
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Prime Minister's Office

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Vientiane Capital, 20 May 2021

NOTIFICATION

Attn: - Ministers and Heads of Ministry Equivalent organizations
- Vientiane Capital and Provincial Governors

Subject: Reinforcement measures on containment, prevention and Comprehensive response to the COVID-19 pandemic in the period of 21 May to 04 June 2021.

- Pursuant to the Decree No. 93/PM, dated 03 March 2017 regarding organization and operation of the Prime Minister's Office;
- Pursuant to the Prime Minister's Order No. 15/PM, dated 21 April 2021;
- Pursuant to the Prime Minister's Instruction on date 19 May 2021.

The Prime Minister's Office is pleased to notify you that: Through implementation of the Prime Minister's Order No. 15/PM, dated 21 April 2021, and measures that all central and local administrative authorities issued effectively and found that all levels of government, included state sectors, business and society are all taking their efforts making the pandemic seems reducing in some provinces. However, the pandemic situation is continuing in wide communities and zones across the country especially in Vientiane Capital that affects to more difficulty in controlling and preventions, taking quite long period and that affects to the national economic-society including making a living, health and living life of every one. With this pandemic situation, government require to make continually comply to the reinforcement measures defined in the Order No. 15/PM, dated 21 April 2021, Notification No. 406/PMO, dated 26 April 2021, notification No. 462/PMO dated 05 May 2021 and Central of Task Force Committee's

Instruction postponed for another 15 days start from time 00:00 of 21 May to time 24:00 of 04 June 2021, with raising up reinforcement measures on containment, prevention and Comprehensive response to the COVID-19 pandemic and mitigation some measures on containment at some zone as follows:

1. Additional measures

- 1.1. Close beauty salon, barber shop, attractions, food garden, casino and all kinds of game cafe'.
- 1.2. Zone and village that identified as Red Zone must close all processing industries and crafts units, accept for factories that have dormitory inside their factory, food processing industry, medicine, protection tools from pandemic and medical devices but have to in place the measures on containment align with the Task Force Committee advised. In this off period, factory enterprise, processing industries that ordered to close to set up their labor management (to stay at their dormitory) and implement a welfare policy to the labor in accordance with obligations of under relevant states.
- 1.3. Prohibit all personnel travelling in-out location or zone that have pandemic (Red Zone) or risk zone (Yellow Zone) as defined by the Task Force Committee accept only authorized person from the related local government with necessary reason such as: goods transportation and food delivery, go to hospital, go to have vaccine; health division and related officer to set up checkpoint for health, related approved documents and records keeping.
- 1.4. Prohibit all meetings, gathering or other activities that exceeded 10 persons. In case that need to have the activity must obtain approval from the Task Force Committee and must adhere to comply the measures on containment as per advised by the Task Force Committee e.g. body temperature, maintain minimum 1meter distancing, wear ace mask, wash hands by soap or gels.
- 1.5. Prohibit all forms of parties or gathering at any places within the pandemic and risk zones.
- 1.6. Raising up reinforcement measures on containment, prevention on infected and spread by testing body temperature, maintain minimum 1meter distancing, wear

ace mask, wash hands by soap or gels at all minimart, supermarket, market and risk zone.

- 1.7. Agreed on receiving help/funds from entrepreneurs, society and others but the Task Force Committee identify ways of receiving those to ensure not at risk of infecting disease.
- 1.8. Vientiane Capital and provincials' Task Force Committees issue clearly instructions in implementing all entire measures as appropriately at each target's locations such as: Red Zone, Yellow Zone and Green Zone.

2. Mitigation measures

- 2.1. In some locals that not have pandemic in community are able to locally travel in-out as normal.
- 2.2. Allows for land transport of passenger between province to province that not have pandemic in communities.
- 2.3. Restaurant and café are only allowed to take-away or delivery, prohibit to seated and eat in the restaurant or café.
- 2.4. Allows opening for studying-teaching at school that not have pandemic in communities in the last 14 days.
- 2.5. Allows for exercises, open sports e.g. walking/joking at the parks, golf, football, etc. but the area's owner must have in place the controls measures of covid-19 strictly then propose to the Task Force Committee and local government to consider for approval case by case.
- 2.6. Allows to drivers and goods transporter travel in-out between provinces are able to deliver to the end destination no need for cargos trans-loading during the journey, not required for Covid-19 testing and not required for 14 self-quarantine, but have to strictly follow the controls measures as per the Task Force Committee advised. For international cargoes transportation is to keep continual as previously. Details of actual activities are all uniformly comply to the Central Task Force Committee's and Ministry of Public Works and Transport's Instructions No. 242/PWT, dated 23 April 2021.

3. In practical implementation of this Notification assign to levels of divisions and local administrative which includes district, village or officers team in all levels to raise their efforts and responsibilities in accordance to the government or the Task Force Committee distributed. If any found misconduct must pursue measures, laws and strict regulations.

Hence, issuing this notification for your acknowledgement and acts accordingly.

Minister,
Head of Prime Minister's Office

Signed and sealed
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