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NOTIFICATION

Unlocking of Lockdown 2.0 Phase II Samtse Dzongkhag

Pursuant to the directives of the National COVID-19 Task Force (NC19TF) vide no. NC19TF/01/193 dated 15/01/2021 on Unlocking of the Lockdown 2.0, the Samtse Dzongkhag COVID 19TF is pleased to notify the general public on Phase II Unlocking of the Lockdown 2.0 under Samtse Dzongkhag which shall come into effect from **16th January 2021**, from **1.00 PM** onwards. The conditions for the Unlocking Phase II of the Dzongkhag are detailed as follows in addition to the Phase I Unlocking:

Sl. No	ACTIVITIES ALLOWED
A. Opening of schools and institutions	
1	Opening of offices are allowed. Respective COVID Safety focals to ensure strict implementation and compliance of safety protocols and contingency plans.
2	Enforcement of safety protocol (handwashing, physical distancing, thermal scanning, face mask, Druk trace app and implementation of SoPs developed by MoE and MoH)
3	Strict monitoring and submission of weekly report of students' health status to Dzongkhag Health Officer
4	Carry out random testing of students in schools atleast once every 2 weeks
B. Movement	
1	Inter Dzongkhag Movement is allowed. However, travelers will have to follow the travel protocol issued by the NC19TF.
2	Movement to low-risk areas shall be permitted upon completion of 7 days facility quarantine
3	Movement to high-risk areas transiting through low-risk areas shall also have undergo 7 days facility quarantine
4	Emergency travel (Medical emergency and death) shall be facilitated upon completion of 3 days mandatory quarantine
5	Ensure that all public transport buses and taxis have transparent partition between passengers and driver.
6	Ensure mandatory use of Druk Trace App by all passengers in all public transport (Buses & Taxis); and ensure proper log book is maintained wherever Druk Trace App cannot be used and is not applicable.
7	People coming from Red and Yellow Zones of Thimphu and Paro will have to stay under home quarantine for 7 days after reaching their respective destination in Samtse.
8	Operationalize CPMS for vehicles and passengers at all Checkpoints including travel via India.


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C. Mass gathering/ Religious Activities	
1	Religious/Social activities to be allowed only at the household level confined to family members with prior approval from the Dzongkhag and Drungkhag Administrations.
2	Cremations shall be allowed confined to family members/relatives with no more than 20 people.
3	Mass gathering not allowed, however, religious activities at local community level to be allowed upon approval by Dzongkhag Administration.
4	Conference/ Meetings with less than 10 participants from within the Dzongkhags to be allowed. However, conference/meetings with more than 10 participants must seek prior approval from the Dzongkhag/Drungkhag Administrations. COVID19 focal to ensure safety protocols are followed and proper list of participants is maintained.
D. Sports Activities	
1	Sporting activities within the same locality are allowed, however, organized tournaments are not allowed. In addition, any sporting event with participants from other Dzongkhags is not allowed.
2	Archery, Football, Khuru and Gyms are deferred until further notice.
E. Business/Construction/Manufacturing Activities	
1	Opening of all shops and business activities are allowed. However, hotels, restaurants and bars shall operate at 50% capacity until further notice.
2	Business timing shall be from 6.00 AM to 8.00 PM
3	Salons/ Barbers/ beauty parlours shall be allowed under the following conditions <ol style="list-style-type: none">Maintaining physical distancingProvide hand washing/ sanitization facilitiesUse of Druk Trace App/Maintain proper log book of customers.Mandatory use of Face MaskNo overcrowdingEnsure proper ventilationPeriodic (once in 3 weeks) testing of service providers
4	All construction and manufacturing activities are allowed. However, we encourage construction and manufacturing firms to work under self-contained mode
ACTIVITIES NOT ALLOWED	
1	No Movement of people and vehicle after 9.00 PM
2	Opening of the following Entertainment businesses is strictly prohibited. <ol style="list-style-type: none">Karaoke, b. Snookers, c. Discotheques, d. Caroms
3	Tshachu/Menchu and Neykor are not allowed

Concerned Drungkhag Task Forces, Gewogs and LEAs are requested to exercise utmost diligence and to take full charge and responsibilities in ensuring effective unlocking process.

The DC19TF solicits continued support and cooperation from the general public.