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Principal Secretary to Government Haryana,
Higher Education Department, Chandigarh.

To

1. All the Vice Chancellors of State/Private Universities in the State of Haryana.
2. All the Principals of Govt. Colleges in the State of Haryana.
3. All the Principals of Govt. Aided Colleges in the State of Haryana
4. All the Principals of Self-financing Colleges in the State of Haryana

Memo No. DHE-010019/5/2020-Coordination-DHE-Part-(2)
Dated Panchkula, the 12/7/2021

Subject: Regarding Opening of Universities and Colleges.

In continuation of this office letter No. DHE-010019/5/2020-Coordination-DHE, dated 22.6.2021 and DHE-010019/5/2020-Coordination-DHE, dated 29.06.2021 and Haryana State Disaster Management Authority letter No. DMC-SPO-2020/7567, dated 11.07.2021.

I have been directed to inform that Universities and Colleges are allowed to be opened for students for doubt classes, practical classes in laboratories, practical examinations and off line examinations with strict adherence of requisite social distancing norms, regular Covid appropriate behavioral norms, the guidelines as indicated in the SOPs released by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI and regular sensitization of the premises. Hostels (in Universities and Colleges) are allowed to open only for those students who are appearing in examinations. Necessary guidelines pertaining to above are enclosed herewith.

Encl. As above.

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Deputy Director Coordination
for Principal Secretary to Government Haryana
Higher Education Department, Chandigarh.

Generic Preventive Measures/COVID-19 Appropriate Behaviour

The following public health measures are to be followed to reduce the risk of COVID-19 by all (faculty members, employees, students and visitors) in these places at all times:

- i. Physical distancing to be followed as far as feasible.
- ii. Use of face covers/masks to be made mandatory.
- iii. Frequent hand washing with soap (for at least 40-60 seconds) even when hands are not visibly dirty. Use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers (for at least 20 seconds) can be done wherever feasible.
- iv. Respiratory etiquettes to be strictly followed. This involves strict practice of covering one's mouth and nose while coughing/sneezing with a tissue/handkerchief/flexed elbow and disposing of used tissues properly.
- v. Self-monitoring of health by all and reporting any illness at the earliest.
- vi. Spitting shall be strictly prohibited.
- vii. Installation & use of Aarogya Setu App shall be advised wherever feasible.
- viii. Vaccination drive for students who come to the campus in coordination with CMO and District Administration.

Guidelines for opening of campuses for students for examination, practical classes and doubt classes

The institutions should be ready with a plan for handling the inflow of students, faculty and staff in the campus, monitoring disinfecting measures, safety and health conditions, screening and detecting the infected persons, containment measures to prevent the spread of the virus in the campus.

- It should be ensured that not more than 50% of the total students should be present at any point of time and necessary

guidelines/protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are observed.

- Non-resident students should be allowed in campuses only after thermal scanning, sanitization of their hands, wearing of face masks and gloves. Symptomatic persons should not be permitted to enter the campus and should be advised to contact the nearest hospital for clinical assessment.
- All such programmes and extracurricular activities should be avoided where physical distancing is not possible.
- Proper signage, symbols, posters etc. should be prominently displayed at appropriate places to remind the students, faculty and staff for maintaining physical distancing
- Teaching hours (in case of doubt classes and practical classes) in a day may be extended, as per requirements of the institution.
- Six-day schedule may be followed so that classes (in case of doubt classes and practical classes) can be conducted in phases and the seating arrangement be made keeping in view the requirements of physical distancing.
- Universities and colleges to consider reducing the class size and break them in multiple sections to maintain physical distancing during the classes.
- Depending on the availability of space in class rooms or learning sites, up to 50% students may be allowed on a rotation basis to attend the classes.
- Proper sanitization at all learning sites should be ensured. Cleaning and regular disinfection (using 1% sodium hypochlorite) of frequently touched surfaces (door knobs, elevator buttons, hand rails, chairs, benches, washroom fixtures, etc.) to be made mandatory in all class rooms, laboratories, (and also) lockers, parking areas, other common areas etc. before the beginning of classes/examination and at the end of the day. Teaching materials, computers, laptops, printers, shall be regularly disinfected with 70% alcohol swipe.

- Sitting places in classes, laboratories, computer labs, libraries etc. should be clearly marked, keeping in view the norms of physical distancing. At least one seat should be left vacant between two seats.
- Rest rooms/toilets should be regularly cleaned and disinfected.

Safety Measures at Entry/ Exit Point(s)

- Adequate arrangements of thermal scanners, sanitizers, face masks should be made available at all entry and exit points, including the reception area.
- Crowding must be avoided at entry/ exit points. Staggered timings of entry and exit with limited strength for different programmes should be followed.
- For ensuring queue management, inside and outside the premises, specific markings on the floor may be made and be adhered to.
- In case the institution has more than one gate for entry/ exit, all the gates should be used, with adequate care, to avoid crowding.
- Monitoring of the entry and exit of the students should be done.
- Screening of students, faculty and staff, wearing of face covers/ mask, sanitizing of hands etc. must be ensured at all entry points.
- Those having symptoms of fever, cough or difficulty in breathing should not be allowed to enter.

Guidelines for Hostels

- Hostels may be opened only in such cases where it is necessary while strictly observing the safety and health preventive measures. However, the sharing of rooms may not be allowed in hostels. Symptomatic students should not be permitted to stay in the hostels under any circumstances.
- There should be no crowding in hostel areas where students live in close proximity and share common facilities and utilities. Hence, their numbers need to be limited appropriately to avoid crowding. Also, hostel students should be called in phases.

- iii. Thermal Screening of all resident students should be ensured.
- iv. They will be referred to the nearest COVID treatment facility for clinical assessment and treatment.
- v. Density in dining halls, common rooms, playing areas should be limited, keeping in view the requirement of physical distancing.
- vi. Hygiene conditions should be regularly monitored in kitchens, dining halls, bathrooms and toilets etc.
- vii. Cleanliness is to be maintained in dining areas. Meals should be served in small batches, avoiding over-crowding. Take away options should be available for students and staff.
- viii. It must be ensured that the meals are freshly cooked. A senior staff should monitor the same.
- ix. Utensils should be properly cleaned.
- x. Wearing of face covers/ masks and proper sanitization of hands of the staff engaged for the preparation and distribution of meals should be ensured.
- xi. Resident students and staff should avoid or limit visiting the markets. As far as possible, essential items may be made available within the campus.
- xii. Hostels may define the number of students in dining halls at any point in time. Mess timings may be increased to avoid overcrowding.

Government of Haryana
Haryana State Disaster Management Authority

No. DNC-SPO-2020/7567

Dated: 11/07/2021

ORDER

Whereas vide order No. DNC-SPO/5215 dated 02.05.2021, the State Executive Committee had initially declared a lockdown from 03.05.2021 (05:00 am onwards) to 10.05.2021 (till 05:00 am) and subsequently the same was extended from time to time on a weekly basis till 12.07.2021 in the State of Haryana.

Now, after duly considering the fact although the COVID-19 positivity rate and the number of new COVID-19 positive cases have declined, so as to continue the preventive and the precautionary measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 22(2)(h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned in my capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee hereby extends the **Mahamari Alert-Surakshit Haryana** महामारी अलर्ट-सुरक्षित हरियाणा for another one week, i.e., from 12.07.2021 (05:00 am onwards) to 19.07.2021 (till 05:00 am) in the State of Haryana alongwith guidelines to be implemented (during this period) issued vide earlier orders.

However, the following relaxations are provided in modification of earlier orders:-

- I. The Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi is allowed to hold Common Law Admission Test (CLAT) 2021 on 23rd July 2021 in the State while conducting the same, "Revised SOP issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI dated 10.09.2020 regarding preventive measures to contain spread of COVID-19" shall be strictly followed.
- II. Gatherings in weddings, Funerals/Cremations are allowed upto 100 persons subject to strict observance of COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms and social distancing. However, weddings can take place at places other than home and Courts also.
- III. In open spaces, gatherings will be allowed upto 200 persons subject to strict observance of COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms and social distancing.
- IV. Spas are allowed to open from 06:00 AM to 08:00 PM with 50% capacity after adopting requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation and Covid appropriate behavioural norms.
- V. Swimming Pools are allowed to open only for such athletes/swimmers who are competing /practicing for a competitive event after adopting requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation and Covid appropriate behavioural norms.
- VI. Cinema Halls (In malls and stand alone) are allowed to open with maximum 50% seating capacity with adherence of requisite social distancing norms, COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms, the guidelines as indicated in the SOPs released.

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By Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI, as well as regular sanitisation of the premises.

- VII. University/Colleges are allowed to open for students for doubt classes, practical classes in laboratories, practical examinations and off-line examinations with strict adherence of requisite social distancing norms, regular Covid appropriate behavioural norms, the guidelines as indicated in the SOPs released by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI and regular sanitization of the premises. Hostels (in Colleges and Universities) are allowed to open only for those students who are appearing in examinations. Department of Higher Education, Haryana will release guidelines for implementation of these orders immediately.
- VIII. Open training centers in Haryana State established under the aegis of Haryana Skill Development Mission are also allowed to open (by staggering of the trainees for maintaining social distancing as per prescribed Standing Operating Procedures and Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI, State Disaster Management Authority, Haryana, National Skill Development Corporation and Local Administration from time to time).
- IX. Coaching institutions, Libraries and Training Institutes (whether Government or private) are also allowed to open with strict adherence of requisite social distancing norms, Covid appropriate behavioural norms guidelines as indicated in the SOPs released by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI and regular sanitisation of premises.
- X. Industrial Training institutes (ITIs) are allowed to open for students for doubt classes, practical classes with strict adherence of requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation of the premises, Covid appropriate behavioural norms and guidelines as indicated in the SOPs released by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI. Department of Skill Development & Industrial Training, Haryana will release guidelines for implementation of these orders immediately.

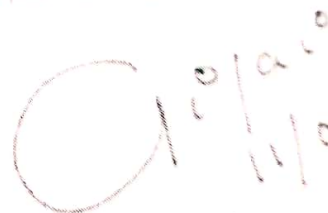
Apart from this, the following relaxations shall continue as permitted vide earlier orders:-

- a. All shops are allowed to open from 09:00 AM to 08:00 PM
- b. Malls are allowed to open from 10:00 AM to 08:00 PM.
- c. Restaurants and bars (including in hotels and in malls) are allowed to open from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM with 50% of the seating capacity and adopting requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation and COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms. Home delivery from hotels, restaurants and fast food joints is permitted upto 10:00 PM.
- d. Religious places are allowed to open with 50 persons at one time with the condition that they shall follow requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation and COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms.

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- e. Corporate Offices are permitted to open with full attendance subject to strict observance of social distancing, COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms and regular sanitisation.
- f. Club houses/ restaurants/ bars of the Golf Courses are allowed to open with 50% seating capacity from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM with adherence to requisite social distancing and other COVID-19 appropriate safety norms. Members/visitors shall be allowed to play in Golf Courses by the management in a staggered manner so as to avoid overcrowding.
- g. Gyms are allowed to open from 06:00 AM to 08:00 PM with 50% capacity after adopting requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation and COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms.
- h. All production units, establishments, Industries are permitted to function. However they shall strictly adhere to COVID-19 appropriate and prescribed guidelines, behavioural norms and Social distancing.
- i. Sports Complexes, Stadia are permitted to open for sports activities including for outdoor sports activities except contact sports (Spectators will not be allowed). Sports Authorities shall ensure adherence of requisite social distancing norms, regular sanitisation of the premises and COVID-19 appropriate behavioural norms.

The Deputy Commissioners of the concerned districts are hereby directed/authorised to work out the modalities of implementing the above mentioned relaxations strictly.


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Chief Secretary-cum-Chairperson
Haryana State Executive Committee

To

1. All Administrative Secretaries in the State of Haryana.
2. The Director General of Police.
3. All Deputy Commissioners in the State of Haryana.