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Press Release:

Restriction of inter-provincial travel and revised permitted functions - with effect from 16/08/2021 to 31/08/2021

#	Activity	Permitted level of function
1.	Persons permitted to leave the house	Only 1 person per household is permitted to leave the house. Only exceptions are for purposes of work and for obtaining health services.
2.	Public transport	Only allowed to transport seated passengers of the bus/train within the provincial limits and mobilized for essential services
3.	Private taxi services	Ensure the maximum number of passengers is limited to seating capacity for cars and trishaws within the provincial limits. For other types of vehicles, it is limited to transport seated passengers only.
4.	Utility services – electricity, water, telecommunication, Petrol stations, LP gas stations, motor garages / tyre services and postal/courier services	Provide all essential services with minimum number of staff.
5.	Government Offices	With minimum number of staff and within the province. If head of the institution decides, he or she can call staff from outside the province.
6.	Private sector offices	With minimum number of staff and within the province. If head of the institution decides, he or she can call staff from outside the province.
7.	Economic centres (Arthika madhyasthanaya)	Open for wholesale business under strict health guidelines.
8.	Meetings /Conferences/ Seminars/ Brand launches	Not allowed
9.	Industries (Garments, agriculture, fisheries etc)	Allowed under strict health guidelines.

10.	Supermarkets	A maximum of 25% of the total number customers that could be accommodated in the space available can be allowed at a given time adhering to the instructions given. 1.5m ² of available walking space can be considered as adequate for 1 person. Maximum number allowed should be displayed outside.
11.	Shopping Malls	Closed from 18 th August 2021.
12.	Financial institutions (banks, finance companies, pawning centres etc)	A maximum of 10% of the total number customers that could be accommodated in the space available can be allowed at a given time adhering to the instructions given. Maximum number allowed should be displayed outside each shop and strictly controlled
13.	Clothing/textile shops	Allowed under strict health guidelines.
14.	Agriculture based	Normal operations with strong adherence to DReAM
15.	Grocery	A maximum of 10 can be allowed at a given time adhering to the instructions given. Maximum number allowed should be displayed outside each shop and strictly controlled
16.	Open market/fairs	A maximum of 25% of the total number customers that could be accommodated in the space available can be allowed at a given time adhering to the instructions given under strict supervision of the local authorities.
17.	Bakery, Barber and Beauty Salons, Electrical, Hardware stores, Laundry, Furniture, Communication/ photocopy shops	A maximum of 25% of the total number customers that could be accommodated in the space available can be allowed at a given time adhering to the instructions given. Maximum number allowed should be displayed outside each shop and strictly controlled.
18.	Tailors and dressmakers	Allowed under strict health guidelines.
19.	Street/mobile vendors	Allowed with strict adherence to guidelines and DReAM and under supervision of the local authorities.
20.	Filling stations	Allowed with adherence to DReAM
21.	Construction sites	Allowed with adherence to DReAM
22.	Courts	• No more than 25% (inclusive of staff) of the capacity of the courthouse should be accommodated in the court. • No members of the public or prisoners to be present in or in the immediate vicinity of the court unless with a special permission of the relevant judge. • Cases should be taken off on a staggered basis at the discretion of the presiding judge. As per above health guidelines, Judiciary Service Commission will issue special directives for the courts as and when required.
23.	Prison	No visitors allowed
24.	Health Sector	Must function with required number of staff to maintain service requirement, adhering to the instructions given
25.	Day care	Closed for 2 weeks

26.	Preschools	Closed until further notice
27.	Schools	Closed until further notice
28.	Higher education centres including universities	Closed until further notice
29.	Tuition classes	Closed until further notice
30.	Wedding functions	Not allowed from 17 th August 2021.
31.	Funerals (Except COVID-19 Deaths)	Should be held within 24 hours after releasing the dead body from the hospital/Inquirer into Sudden Deaths, taking all possible precautions to minimize the number attending to a maximum of 25 persons at a given time adhering to the instructions given.
32.	Parties/events/gatherings (indoor/ outdoor, Including in-house gatherings)	Not allowed
33.	Places of worship	No collective activities or gatherings. No congregation in Temples, Mosques and Churches. The temple, church, Kovil, Mosque should not be made a meeting point for even small group of people to meet.
34.	Boarding houses	Can remain at full capacity adhering to the instructions given. However, no new persons should be given accommodation.
35.	Gymnasiums, indoor sports halls	Closed from 18 th August 2021.
36.	Walkways	Open only to walk by self and no crowding allowed
37.	Children's parks	Closed from 18 th August 2021.
38.	Carnivals, musical shows, beach parties	Closed from 18 th August 2021.
39.	Swimming pools	Closed from 18 th August 2021.
40.	Beach	Gatherings not allowed
41.	Restaurant (dining in)	Opened with 50% of seating capacities and under strict health guidelines.
42.	Restaurant (take away/delivery)	Normal operations with strong adherence to DReAM
43.	Spas	Closed from 18 th August 2021
44.	Hotels, rest houses and guest houses	Opened with 25% of the capacity and under strict health guidelines.

DReAM (practice Physical Distancing, Practice Respiratory etiquette, practice Aseptic procedures, and wear Face Mask).

Strict adherence to DReAM is essential with vaccination.

Vaccination is strongly encouraged.

Crossing of provincial borders is only permitted for the following essential services, ensuring strict adherence to health guidelines:

1. Health services
2. Police and triformes
3. State sector officials on essential official visits
4. Distributors of essential supplies
5. Providers of essential services – such as utility services
6. For death of immediate family member (proof required)
7. Transport of cargo and travel to/from country's ports of entry/exit (proof required)

Essential service workers residing in isolated areas are strongly discouraged from physically reporting to work unless in exceptional circumstances.

All non-essential travel is not permitted from 10.00 pm to 4.00 am daily (quarantine curfew).



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Web link for guidelines:

http://www.health.gov.lk/moh_final/english/article_read_more.php?id=938

