

ADVISORY NO. 21-06

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**ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF GUIDELINES
FOR BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES
ALLOWED TO OPERATE UNDER ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE**

Pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 106-B, Series of 2021, and subject to compliance with the minimum public health and safety standards and pertinent sector-relevant protocols, the following business establishments and activities shall be allowed to operate in the provinces of Bulacan, Cavite, Laguna, and Rizal together with the highly urbanized cities of the National Capital Region and the municipality of Pateros from **29 March 2021 to 04 April 2021** --

A. With full on-site capacity:

- i. Public and private hospitals;
- ii. Health, emergency and frontline services, including those provided by dialysis centers, chemotherapy centers, and the like;
- iii. Manufacturers of medicines and vitamins, medical supplies, devices and equipment, including suppliers of input, packaging, and distribution;
- iv. Industries involved in agriculture, forestry, and fishery and their workers, including farmers, agrarian reform beneficiaries, fisherfolk, and agri-fishery stores, and such other components of the food value chain;
- v. Logistics service providers (delivery and courier services, cargo handling, warehousing, trucking, freight forwarding, port operations and shipping line);
- vi. Essential and priority construction projects, whether public or private, in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Works and Highways;
- vii. Manufacturing related to food and other essential goods such as but not limited to soap and detergents, disinfectants, and personal hygiene products;
- viii. Companies that manufacture and/or supply equipment or products necessary to perform construction or maintenance works, such as cement and steel, or spare parts;
- ix. Essential retail trade and service establishments such as *public markets, supermarkets, grocery stores, convenience stores, pharmacies or drug stores, laundry shops, water-refilling stations, hardware stores, and office supplies stores*;
- x. Food preparation establishments such as *commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, Provided, that services shall be limited to take-out and delivery*;
- xi. Public and private financial service providers involved in the distribution of government grants and amelioration subsidies; and
- xii. Business process outsourcing establishments (BPOs), and export-oriented businesses, including mining and quarrying activities.

B. At a maximum of fifty percent (50%) on-site capacity:

- i. Media establishments and their total permanent staff complement, inclusive of reporters and other field employees.

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C. With an on-site skeleton workforce:

- i. Dental, rehabilitation, optometry and other medical clinics: *Provided*, that there is strict observance of infection prevention and control protocols. *Provided further*, that dental procedures shall be limited to emergency cases only and that the wearing of full Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) by dentists and attendants shall be mandatory. *Provided finally*, that home service therapy for Persons With Disabilities (PWDs) shall be allowed;
- ii. Veterinary clinics;
- iii. Banks, money transfer services, including pawnshops only insofar as performing money transfer functions, microfinance institutions, and credit cooperatives, including their armored vehicle services, if any;
- iv. Capital markets, including but not limited to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, Securities and Exchange Commission, Philippine Stock Exchange, Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation, Philippine Securities Settlement Corporation, and Philippine Depository and Trust Corporation; and health insurance providers;
- v. Water supply and sanitation services and facilities, including waste disposal services, as well as property management and building utility services;
- vi. Energy and power companies, their third-party contractors and service providers, including employees involved in electric transmission and distribution, electric power plant and line maintenance, electricity market and retail suppliers, as well as those involved in the exploration, operations, trading and delivery of coal, oil, crude or petroleum and by-products (gasoline, diesel, liquefied petroleum gas, jet oil, kerosene, lubricants), including gasoline stations, refineries and depots or any kind of fuel used to produce electricity;
- vii. Telecommunications companies, internet service providers, cable television providers, including those who perform indirect services such as the *technical, sales, and other support personnel*, as well as the employees of their third-party contractors doing sales, installation, maintenance and repair works;
- viii. Airline and aircraft maintenance, pilots and crew, and employees of aviation schools for purposes of the pilot's recurrent training for flight proficiency and type rating using simulator facilities; and ship captains and crew, including shipyard operations and repair;
- ix. Funeral and embalming services;
- x. Pastors, priests, rabbis, imams or such other religious ministers and their assistants whose movement shall be related to the conduct of religious services performed through online video recording and transmission, and necrological or funeral rites. Corollarily, immediate family members of the deceased who died of causes other than COVID-19 shall be allowed to move from their residences to attend the wake or interment of the deceased upon satisfactory proof of their relationship with the latter, fully complying with the prescribed minimum public health standards for the duration of the activity;
- xi. Security personnel licensed by the Philippine National Police - Supervisory Office for Security and Investigation Agencies;
- xii. Printing establishments authorized by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and other government agencies to print accountable forms and other security documents;
- xiii. Establishments engaged in repair and maintenance of machinery and equipment, including those engaged in the repair of computers and household fixtures and equipment; and
- xiv. Real estate activities limited to leasing only.

Workers, all types of cargoes (i.e. by land, air, or sea), public transportation and operating hours of permitted establishments shall be unhampered and shall not be restricted by curfew hours imposed, if any.

Again, all are called to CONTINUE and REINFORCE compliance with minimum public health and safety standards and protocols under DOH Administrative Order No. 2020-0015, Series of 2020, DTI-DOLE JMC No. 2020-04-A, Series of 2020, DOLE Department Order No. 224-21, Series of 2021, and applicable sector-relevant guidelines, to slow down the surge in COVID-19 cases and stop the further spread of the new variants.

Be guided accordingly.

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