



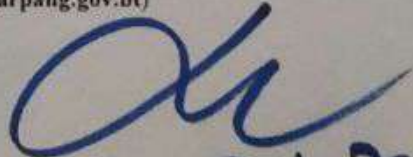
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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

In compliance to directives of the Royal Government of Bhutan pertaining to the phase-wise unlocking of the nation-wide lockdown, the Dzongkhag COVID-19 Taskforce hereby notifies the general public that the first phase of unlocking shall commence from 6 - 12 January 2021. The unlocking shall be implemented as follows:

Offices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. All the government offices within the Gewogs shall be opened. b. In the urban areas, all the offices shall operate on a mix mode of 50% staff capacity and work-from-home. However, financial institutions shall be allowed to function on full staff capacity. c. Respective head of agencies to plan and prepare operation accordingly with due Covid-19 safety protocols.
Monastic Institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Shall operate in self-containment mode b. Visitors are NOT allowed. c. Major religious events are NOT allowed.
Private Training Centers	NOT allowed to open and operate.
Schools	NOT allowed to open.
Walking/Public Transport/Private Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Movement on foot within the Dzongkhag shall be allowed; however use of public and private vehicles shall be considered based on urgency and prior approval from Gewog Administrations and the Incident Commander. b. Movement of utility vehicles for the transportation of goods and authorized government vehicles within the Dzongkhag shall be allowed. However, utility vehicles are allowed to carry only 50% passenger capacity. c. Health workers are allowed to drive their private cars from home-work-home with identification card issued by the hospital management. d. Emergency and stranded travelers from other Dzongkhag shall be allowed upon production of RT-PCR if originating from Thimphu and Paro Dzongkhag and antigen test result if originating from other green zones. e. Public transport (buses) NOT allowed <p>Movement restriction from 07:00pm; however movements for vehicles carrying oranges shall be allowed to ply till 09:00pm</p>
OPD	Normal OPD services shall resume.
Flu Clinic	Individuals with flu-like symptoms shall visit the nearest Flu Clinic.
Wholesale, Retails, Electronics, Hardware, Stationery, Tailoring and Agriculture & Livestock Product	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. All shops shall be allowed to open and operate with COVID-19 prevention and safety protocols. b. Home delivery services are encouraged


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Vendors	
Hotels, Restaurants and Bars	All hotels, restaurants and bars allowed to open and operate with take away facilities only.
Hair Cutting Saloons and Beauty Parlour	NOT allowed.
Entertainment Centers such as <i>Drayang</i>s, Karaoke, Discotheques, Snookers, Ludo, Carom, Video Games, etc	NOT allowed.
Manufacturing Houses and Automobile Workshops	All manufacturing houses and automobile workshops shall be allowed to operate with COVID-19 prevention and safety protocols.
Export-Import	Export and import shall be facilitated as per existing protocols
Closure Time	All business entities shall close by 06:00pm.
Sports Activities	Non-contact sports such as badminton, lawn tennis, cycling and table tennis shall be allowed. However, no spectators allowed.
Swimming Pool and Fitness Centers	NOT allowed.
Tournaments	NOT allowed.
Construction Activities	All construction activities are allowed to resume with Covid-19 safety protocols. All construction activities shall close by 06:00pm.
Tshechu (festivals), Wang and Neykor	NOT allowed
Cremation	Allowed with close family members with not more than 20 people
Rimdro, Lochoe, Puja and other religious events	Will be allowed upon prior approval from Dzongkhag Administration.
Any other social events or gatherings involving more than 6 people	NOT allowed

“Stay Home - Stay Safe - Our Gyenkhru”
“Together we can defeat Covid-19”

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Incident Commander