UNIVERSITY OF GOUR BANGA

(Established under the West Bengal Act. XXVI of 2007) [Recognized U/S 2(f) & 12(B) of the UGC Act and NAAC accredited University with 'B' Grade (2016)]

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NOTICE

In pursuance of the Order No. 753/XVII-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 02.01.2022 issued by the Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, and as directed by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the undersigned is assigned to inform all concerned that the academic activities of the University and its affiliated Colleges shall remain suspended till 15.01.2022. However, online classes and other online activities of the University and its affiliated Colleges shall continue unaffected.

Administrative activities of the Academic and Administrative Departments of the University and its affiliated Colleges shall be carried on in strict conformity to the abovementioned Govt. Order, the Government protocol regarding COVID-19 and WHO guidelines.

It is also hereby notified that the students week which was started on and from 01.01.2022 shall remain postponed until further order.

(Dr. Rajib Patitundi)

Deputy Registrar (Addl. Charge)

DEPUTY REGISTRAR (A/c). UNIVERSITY OF GOUR BANGA

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- 1. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, UGB, Malda.
- 2. The Deans, All Faculty Councils of Post Graduate Studies, UGB, Malda.
- 3. The Registrar, UGB, Malda.
- 4. All Heads / Coordinators of all PG Departments with request to circulate among all employees, students and scholars of their respective Department.
- 5. All Heads of all Administrative Departments / Offices with request to circulate among all employees of their respective Administrative Departments / Offices.
- 6. The Principal/ Teacher-in-Charge/ Officer-in-Charge of all Colleges affiliated to the University of Gour Banga for information and necessary action.
- 7. The University website.
- 8. Office File.

Government of West Bengal NABANNA 325, Sarat Chatterjee Road, Howrah -711102

ORDER

Dated: 02/01/2022

No-753/XVII-ISS/2M-22/2020

Whereas, in order to contain spread of COVID-19 pandemic, state government vide order No 753/XVI-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 15/12/2021 read with various orders issued earlier, notified certain restriction and relaxation measures in terms of the provisions under Disaster Management Act 2005 read with West Bengal Epidemic Disease, Covid-19 Regulations 2020, which are in force till **15/01/2022**.

Whereas, after a review of the current situation of COVID-19 pandemic and the concerns due to high rate of infectivity and multiple cases of a new COVID-19 variant "*Omicron*", State Executive Committee of West Bengal State Disaster Management Authority recommended to review the current restrictions and relaxations.

Accordingly, in terms of the provisions under Disaster Management Act 2005 read with West Bengal Epidemic Disease, Covid-19 Regulations 2020, and in continuation of earlier orders, in addition to restriction and relaxation measures as already in force, following additional restrictions shall remain in force up to 15/01/2022:

- 1) All academic activities in schools, colleges and universities shall remain closed. Only administrative activities shall be permitted with 50% of employees at a time.
- 2) All government offices including public undertakings shall function with 50% of employees at a time. Work from home shall be encouraged as far as possible.
- 3) All private offices and establishments shall function with 50% of employees at a time. Work from home shall be encouraged as far as possible.
- 4) Swimming pools, spas, gyms, beauty parlors, saloons and wellness centers shall remain closed.
- 5) All entertainment parks, zoos, tourist places shall remain closed.
- 6) Shopping malls and market complexes may function with restricted entry of people by not exceeding 50 % of the capacity at a time and up to 10 PM.
- 7) Restaurants and bars may operate with 50% of capacity at a time and up to 10 PM.
- 8) Cinema halls and theatre halls may operate with 50% of seating capacity at a time and up to 10 PM.
- 9) Meetings and conferences shall be allowed with a maximum of 200 people at a time or 50% seating capacity of the hall, whichever is lower.
- 10) Not more than 50 persons at a time shall be allowed for any social, religious and cultural gatherings.
- 11) Not more than 50 persons shall be allowed for marriage related ceremonies.
- 12) Not more 20 persons shall be allowed for funeral/burial services and last rites.
- 13) Local trains shall operate with 50% seating capacity up to 7 PM only.
- 14) Metro services shall operate with 50% seating capacity as per usual operational time.
- 15) Movement of people and vehicles and public gatherings of any kind shall be prohibited between 10 PM to 5 AM. Only essential and emergency services shall be permitted.

Other Advisory:

- i) Duare Sarkar camps starting 2nd January 2022 are hereby postponed and will be organised again from 1st February 2022.
- ii) Like in first two COVID pandemic waves, various Chambers of Commerce and Trade organizations may adopt different market places and ensure regular sanitization and COVID appropriate health and hygiene protocols. Norms of physical distancing should be strictly enforced and people without masks shall not be allowed to enter the markets.
- iii) Management of industries, factories, mills, tea gardens and other establishments shall ensure strict compliance of COVID appropriate norms including wearing of masks, regular sanitization of work places and only double vaccinated workers shall be allowed to enter the work sites.
- iv) All government and private hospitals are advised to review the arrangements and facilities for treatment of COVID in the hospitals so that timely and proper treatment can be given to those needing hospitalization.
- v) People with Covid positive test results but asymptotic are advised to go for home isolation and monitor their health.
- vi) At least 50 % of the institutional quarantine facilities as were existing during the 2nd wave of COVID pandemic should be made operational.
- vii) Employers/ management bodies / owners / supervisors of all offices, establishments and work places shall be responsible for provisioning of all COVID safety measures including regular sanitization of work places, vaccination of employees and for compliance of stated directives and COVID appropriate norms. Work from home shall be encouraged as far as possible and practical.
- viii) Home delivery of food and other essential products shall be allowed as per usual operational hours following proper COVID appropriate care and protocols.
- ix) Wearing of masks, maintenance of physical distancing and health & hygiene protocol must be followed at all times.

District administration, police commissionerates and local authorities shall ensure strict compliance of the stated directives. Any violation of the restriction measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Disaster Management Act, 2005 and under Indian Penal Code.

The above-mentioned restrictions shall come into effect from 03/01/2022.

Chief Secretary