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Formation of “Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Control and Emergency Response Committee”

1. The “Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Control and Emergency Response Committee” is composed of the following persons:
   (i) Vice President (1) President
   (ii) Union Minister Member Ministry of Defense
   (iii) Union Minister Member Ministry of Border Affairs
   (iv) Union Minister Member Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture
   (v) Union Minister Member Ministry of Transport and Communications
   (vi) Union Minister Member Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population
   (vii) Union Minister Member Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement
   (viii) Chief Coordinator (Army, Navy, Air Force) Member Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Service
   (ix) Union Minister Secretary (1) Ministry of the Office of the Union Government
   (X) Union Minister Secretary (2) Ministry of Home Affairs

2. The functions of the COVID-19 Control and Emergency Respond Committee are as follow:

   (a) To investigate and quarantine rapidly to those who were infected and who had close contact with an infected person without waiting for the incubation period.
(b) To investigate and quarantine to those who had a closed contact with an infected if there is an outbreak of COVID-19 in a case of establishing a systemic quarantine process for the people who return from Thailand and other foreign countries together with the Nay Pyi Taw Council, State/Region government.

(c) If the outbreak has spread to one or more than one regions, the following shall be performed for the people living in those regions by negotiating with the relevant State/Region government together with the guidance of the National-Level Central Committee on Prevention, Control, and Treatment of Coronavirus Diseases:

1. To enforce strict Community quarantine control if necessary. In this regard, cooperation with departments of relevant organisation, Red Cross community, civil societies and other non-governmental organisations are needed to carry out the necessary activities such as food, health care and the process of promoting emotional well-being.

2. To cooperate with the departments of relevant organisation, Red Cross community, civil societies and, other non-governmental organisations for the people to comply exactly in the process of enforcing Community quarantine in the areas of high-risk, areas of potential high-risk and areas of potential instability related to infectious disease.

3. To cooperate with the departments of the relevant organisation, Red Cross community, civil societies and, other non-governmental organisations for the implementation of peace, stability and, rules of law which are important in performing with the standard of prevention, control and, treatment of COVID-19 piecemeal.

4. To establish a necessary security plan for the continued operation of shops, drug stores, factories and workshops if the Community quarantine is enforced to establish in the region for the continued providing of essential shops, drug stores, factories and, workshop. In this regard, cooperation with departments of relevant organisation, Red Cross community, civil societies, and other non-governmental organisations are needed to carry out for the continued providing of essential shops, drug stores, factories and, workshops.

(d) To establish systematic procedures for conveying of people who needed to watch over the COVID-19 disease to the Community Base Facilities Quarantine and for the process of burial of those who died of infectious disease as well as to facilities by the departments of the relevant organisation, Red Cross community, civil societies and, other non-governmental organisations in accordance with those procedures.

(e) To engage for adequate arrangements for the necessary foods, drugs, facility, Test Kits, Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), places to park vehicle, place to keep Community Based Facility Quarantine and also volunteer by anticipating the worst possible situation of the high risk of COVID-19 disease.

(f) To take action in accordance with the existing law to the people who spread misinformation on social media and elsewhere for the purpose of causing panic among the people immediately.
(g) To take action in accordance with the existing law to the people who sell extortionate drugs, food and consumer goods for their benefit.

(h) To supervise the implementation of activities in some importance public area such as pesticide spraying, knowledge sharing and issuing required rules to be complied by the people who lived in quarter and village in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 disease.

(i) To implement the activities such as preventing illegal entry to border gates and international checkpoints, establishing the departments to ensure safety and to prevent against corruption immediately.

(j) Performing duties of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Control and Emergency Response Committee by opening the secretariat’s office of the Committee at Ministry of Home Affairs, Establishing emergency contact hotlines, Preparing the stages of prevention, control and, treatment of COVID-19 and engaging systematic coordination between departments of Union Ministers and State/Region governments.

(k) To facilitate the duties stipulated by the National –Level Central Committee on Prevention, Control and Treatment of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

(l) The “Central Committee for the Prevention of Pneumonia caused by Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)” which was established with the notification number 23/2020 dated on 30 January 2020 by the Office of the President was abolished since today.

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