GOVERNMENT OF NAGALAND HOME DEPARTMENT GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BRANCH – I

NO.GAB-I/COM/GEN-4/2020/149

Kohima, dated, the 19th of July 2021

ORDER

Sub: Re-opening of Colleges and Technical Institutions for conduct of regular classes for students

WHEREAS, the State Government has permitted the re-opening of the campuses and holding of regular classes in all the colleges and technical institutions in Nagaland with effect from 26th July 2021 subject to all the teachers and non-teaching staff having been fully vaccinated (taken both the doses) against COVID-19, or having taken the 1st (first) dose of vaccine against COVID-19 and at least 15 (fifteen) days have passed since taking the 1st (first dose);

AND WHEREAS, in view of the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation, there is a need for taking further measures for preventing and containing the spread of COVID-19 while re-opening of the colleges and technical institutes for the safety of the students, faculty members, non-teaching staff and all others concerned;

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 22 (2) (b) and Section 22 (2) (h) of the Disaster Management Act 2005, in the capacity of Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby issues the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the reopening of colleges and technical institutes with up to 50% attendance, on the preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19, as annexed, for strict compliance by all concerned throughout the State of Nagaland.

Sd/-J. ALAM, IAS Chief Secretary, Nagaland

To

All the Deputy Commissioners & Chairmen District Task Force, Nagaland for compliance.

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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR RE-OPENING OF COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS ON THE PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

1. Scope

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) outlines the various generic precautionary measures to be adopted in addition to specific measures to be taken to prevent spread of COVID-19 when universities, colleges and technical institutions resume normal functioning for students.

- 2. Maximum allowed percentage of attendance of the students in any class shall be 50%, and requirement of mandatory vaccination;
 - (a) All the teachers and non-teaching staff should be fully vaccinated (taken both the doses) against COVID-19, or should have taken the 1st (first) dose of vaccine against COVID-19 with at least 15 (fifteen) days having passed since taking the 1st (first dose).
 - (b) The maximum allowed percentage of attendance of the students in any class on a particular day shall be 50%.
 - (c) The colleges, technical institutions planning to re-open shall submit the list of all the teaching/non-teaching taff along with the details of the vaccination status, as well as all the arrangements being made for ensuring adherence to the provisions of this SOP to the respective District Task Force (DTF). The DTF may carry out verifications as considered necessary, and on being satisfied of the overall preparedness of the college/technical institution concerned, may grant permission for the re-opening of the college/technical institution.
 - (d) The colleges/technical institutions shall continue with the present system of online teaching while making preparations and awaiting clearance from the DTF for reopening for conduct of regular classes.

3. Generic Preventive Measures/ COVID Appropriate Behavior

The following public health measures shall be followed to reduce the risk of COVID-19 by all (faculty members, employees, students and visitors) in these places at all times:

- i. Physical distancing of at least 6 feet to be followed as far as feasible.
- Use of face covers/ masks to be made mandatory.
- iii. Frequent hand washing with soap (for at least 40-60 seconds) even when hands are not visibly dirty. Use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers (for at least 20 seconds) can be done wherever feasible.
- iv. Respiratory etiquettes to be strictly followed. This involves strict practice of covering one's mouth and nose while coughing/ sneezing with a tissue/ handkerchief/ flexed elbow and disposing of used tissues properly.
- v. Self-monitoring of health by all and reporting any illness at the earliest.
- vi. Spitting shall be strictly prohibited.

- Installation & use of Aarogya Setu App shall be advised wherever feasible. vii.
- In addition to all of the above, students who have not taken any dose of vaccine viii. against COVID-19, and if they are 18 years of age and above will be advised to get vaccinated at the earliest.

4. Measures Required before Re-opening of Campuses

As the colleges and technical institutions are likely to face a number of issues at the time of reopening, they will be required to plan in advance. Some of the measures, which the institutions may have to take prior to re-opening, are given below:

4.1 Pre-requisites

i. The directions, instructions, guidelines and orders issued by the State Government regarding safety and health in view of COVID-19 must be fully abided by the higher education institutions.

ii. The Colleges and Technical Institutions shall be allowed to open only if they are outside the containment zones. Further, students and staff living in containment zones will not be allowed to attend these institutions. Students and staff shall also be advised not to visit areas falling within containment zones.

iii. The faculty, staff and students of the university, college and technical institutions should be encouraged to download 'Aarogya Setu App'.

iv. The institutions should be ready with a plan for handling the inflow of students, faculty and staff in the campus, monitoring disinfecting measures, safety and health conditions, screening and detecting the infected persons, containment measures to prevent the spread of the virus in the campus, and also alternative plan(s), in case the campus needs to be closed again due to spread of the virus in campus or in the surrounding area(s) in near future.

5. Measures

- Universities and colleges may plan opening the campuses in phases, with such activities i. where they can easily adhere to social distancing, use of face masks and other protective measures. This may include administrative offices, research laboratories and libraries etc.
- Thereafter, students of all research programmes and post-graduate students in science & ii. technology programmes may join as the number of such students is comparatively less and norms of physical distancing and preventive measures can be easily enforced.
- Further, final year students may also be allowed to join for academic and placement iii. purposes, as per the decision of the head of the institution. However, for (i), (ii) and (iii) above, it should be ensured that not more than 50% of the total students should be present at any point of time and necessary guidelines/ protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are observed.
- For the programmes other than those mentioned in paras 5 (i), 5 (ii) and 5(iii) iv. above, online/ distance learning shall continue to be the preferred mode of teaching and shall be encouraged.
- However, if required, students may visit their respective departments in a small number ٧. for consultation with the faculty members, after seeking prior appointments to avoid crowding, while maintaining physical distancing norms and other safety protocols.

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Kohima, dated, the 1st August 2021

<u>ADDENDUM</u>

Sub: Addendum to order for Re-opening of Colleges and Technical Institutions for conduct of regular classes for students

In pursuance to the order of the Hon'ble High Court dated 28/07/2021 in Case No. PIL 8/2021, and in continuation to this office order of even number dated 19th July 2021, it is hereby also provided that in case any teacher or non-teaching staff of any college or technical institution, which is opening for resumption of regular classes for the students, is not fully vaccinated (not taken both the doses) against COVID-19, or has taken the 1st(first) dose of vaccine against COVID-19, but 15 (fifteen) days haven't passed since taking the 1st (first dose), or hasn't taken any dose of vaccine against COVID-19, the teacher or non-teaching staff concerned shall be required to undergo testing every 15 (fifteen) days for COVID-19 through either RT-PCR or TrueNat or CBNAAT on self-payment basis and make available the negative COVID-19 test report.

- 2. The Para 2 of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) annexed with the earlier order for the re-opening of colleges and technical institutions on the preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 stand modified accordingly and it shall be read as under:
- "2. Maximum allowed percentage of attendance of the students in any class shall be 50% and requirement of mandatory vaccination/testing for teachers/non-teaching staff
- (a) All the teachers and non-teaching staff should be fully vaccinated (taken both the doses) against COVID-19, or should have taken the 1st (first) dose of vaccine against COVID-19, and at least 15 (fifteen) days should have passed since taking the 1st (first dose), or should have been tested negative for COVID-19 through either RT-PCR or TrueNat or CBNAAT once in every 15 (fifteen) days.
- (b) The maximum allowed percentage of the students in any class on a particular day shall be
- (c) The colleges, technical institutions planning to re-open shall submit the list of all the teaching/non-teaching staff along with the details of the vaccination status or testing status as the case may be, as well as all the arrangements being made for ensuring adherence to the provisions of this SOP to the respective District Task Force (DTF). The DTF may carry out verifications as considered necessary, and on being satisfied of the overall preparedness of the college/technical institution concerned, may grant permission for the re-opening of the college/technical institution.

- (d) The colleges/technical institutions which have cases of teacher/non-teaching staff submitting negative COVID-19 test report on account of not being vaccinated against COVID-19 as mentioned above, shall continue submitting the details of the COVID testing status of such teachers/non-teaching staff every 15 (fifteen) days to the respective District Task Force (DTF).
- (e) The colleges/technical institutions shall continue with the present system of online teaching while making preparations and awaiting clearance from the DTF for re-opening for conduct of the regular classes."
- 3. All the other conditions as laid down in the SOP annexed to the earlier Order for reopening of colleges/technical institutions shall remain unchanged.

Sd/-

J. ALAM, IAS

Chief Secretary, Nagaland

To

All the Deputy Commissioners & Chairmen, District Task Force, Nagaland for information and compliance

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Dated Kohima, the LA	ugust 2021
NO.DCK/CON/COVID-19/2020 (VOL-V)	Permission is hereby accorded
10 ALDER COLLEGE	Institute located at
Permit under the following terms and conditions.	e operations w.e.f the date of issue of this
1. Maximum Capacity up to 50% and requir	rement of mandatory vaccination for
Teachers/trainers/ non- teaching staff.	
2. Generic Preventive Measures.	
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4. Nodal Officer/ Responsible person in-charge Contact No shall be aforementioned SOP including but not limited to mar ventilation, maintaining physical distance, daily say touched objects. Any POSITIVE/ symptomatic stud the Kohima DTF on Covid-19 and all necessary preany such detection. Adequate awareness on genericare to be mandatorily imparted to all students/ fac	responsible for strict adherence to the adatory wearing of mask, ensuring adequate nitization of all classrooms and frequently tent/ faculty/ staff shall be duly reported to cautions and protocols shall be followed on a preventive measures against COVID-19
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	Sd/-GREGORY THEJAWELIE, NCS Deputy Commissioner
	Kohima: Nagaland
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The Chief Medical Officer, Kohima for it The concerned Area Administrative Officer	

3. The Concerned Head of Institute/ Nodal Officer for information & strict compliance. 4. Office copy.

> (N. BHAVANI SRI) IAS Additional Deputy Commissioner Kohima: Nagaland

NOTICE

This is to inform the BA 5th Semester students that one student from **BA 5th Sem "Sec B"** has been tested positive with Covid-19. However, there is no reason to panic. The college authority has spoken with the **Kohima Task Force** regarding the SOPs in such a situation and they have advised that the classroom be fully sanitized and be left in isolation for **48 hours**.

Furthermore, the Kohima Task Force has requested that all the students from BA 5th Sem "Sec B" go for testing on the 10th(Friday) and 11th(Saturday) of September at Kohima Local Ground without fail which will be free of cost as it comes under contact tracing. This is to ensure the safety for the individual students and for the safety of everyone around them, both at home and in college. All the students are to report their test report to the college authority as soon as they get their results.

All the other students from **BA 5th Sem "Sec A" DO NOT** have to go for testing but are requested to be in **isolation for 48hrs** in their own homes. These SOPs have been brought out in consultation with the person in charge in the Government and have to be followed.

Classes for all 5th Semester students will be suspended for tomorrow(10th Sept) and resume on 13th Sept(Monday).

Sd/-Principal