



REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR LETTER NUMBER 19 YEAR 2020

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All denizens of Universiti Utara Malaysia

Dear Y.Bhg. Dato' /Prof./Sir/Madam

THE TARGETED ENHANCED MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER (TEMCO) AT TONGKANG YARD FLAT, SEBERANG PERAK, ALOR SETAR, KEDAH AND MANDATORY QUARANTINE AT HOME FOR PASSENGERS ARRIVING FROM SABAH

With all due respect, the above matter is referred.

2. As Y. Bhg. Dato' /Prof./Dr./Sir/Madam is aware, the COVID-19 infection cases are still occurring in the country especially in the states of Kedah and Sabah. The administrative Targeted Enhanced Movement Control Order (TEMCO) in Kota Setar District which commenced from 11 to 25 September 2020 has ended. However, based on the Press Statement by the Senior Minister (Security) on 25 September 2020, the risk assessment carried out by members of the Ministry of Health (MOH) found that there is still a high-risk location which at Tongkang Yard flat (Seberang Perak) and the government agreed to place the area under TEMCO until 7 October 2020.

3. Accordingly, staff residing in the TEMCO area are not permitted to leave the area. In this regard, the Head of Department shall give permission and arrange the Work From Home (WFH) schedule to their respective staff until the end of the TEMCO period. The Head of Department must ensure that the staff **updates their address in the portal** considering that the University WFH policy will be based on the current address.

4. The WFH policy is also permitted for staff who have family members that have been directed to undergo swab test. The quarantine letter needs to be submitted to PKU online for the letter of support to be issued. The letter of support will be forwarded to the Head of Department for final approval.

5. As we know, currently, there is an increment in cases and clusters of COVID-19 in Sabah where several districts have been identified as Red Zones. Taking into account these circumstances, the government has directed actions to implement COVID-19 infection prevention and control measures on individuals with travel history from Sabah. The purpose is to monitor the risk of infection transmission among individuals arriving from Sabah. The screening activities will be conducted for 14 days from **27 September 2020 to 10 October 2020** as follows:

- i) Download and register mySejahtera application once you arrive at the International Entry Points (PMA);
- ii) Undergo respiratory tract infection symptoms screening and swabs for detection tests upon arrival at PMA;
- iii) Besides the wristband, individuals involved will also be issued home supervision and observation order letter;
- iv) Individuals travelling in public transport will be provided with a movement permission letter to their respective home addresses; and
- v) Within 14 days, if there are symptoms, individuals are required to repeat the COVID-19 test.

6. In accordance with these instructions, UUM Management has decided to take the following actions:

- i) Staff are not permitted to go for a vacation or visit the original territory in Sabah during the period until this order is revoked;
- ii) For staff who returned from Sabah from 26 September 2020, the Head of Department must allow their respective staff to WFH for two weeks from the date of departure; and
- iii) Staff should advise their spouse and home residents not to visit Sabah or any risky areas. If a spouse or resident of the house has visited the risky area and directed to undergo a swab test by the MOH, the staff must be issued WFH directives by the Head of Department throughout home quarantine.

7. The University management hopes that all staff will always practice new norms, fill in UUM CODSA daily, and comply with all SOPs stipulated by the University and the Government to break the chain of COVID-19 infection. If there are any symptoms and history of visiting the red area, staff should directly refer to the nearest COVID19 screening centre.

8. This circular goes into effect from the date of issuance. Your cooperation in this issue is highly appreciated.

Thank you.

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“KEDAH SEJAHTERA – NIKMAT UNTUK SEMUA”

Yours sincerely



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