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**UPDATES ON MCO3.0, HIDE SYSTEM & THE NATIONAL IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME**

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) held an emergency meeting last night, 10 May 2021 at 8.15 pm with the industries following the [PRIME MINISTER'S MEDIA STATEMENT](#) on the Movement Control Order (MCO) implemented nationwide. The points that were disclosed on the nationwide MCO mirrored that of the PM's media statement.

Other matters discussed were as follows:

1. MITI is trying to work out a system where only the employer's letter or work pass will suffice for travelling to/from work. Registration with MITI will not be required if this is approved following discussions with other ministries. Note that the aforesaid is a proposal at this stage and is subject to confirmation.
2. The Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM) has detected some employees using their employer's letter to travel across districts/borders with their families. This is an abuse of the system and MITI will take action against the company. MITI has advised that companies should warn their workers against such practices.
3. MITI will organise a session with Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) and the Ministry of Health (MoH) for industries to better understand how the Hotspot Identification for Dynamic Engagement (HIDE) system works, as there are confusion on how the data is captured, analysed and conclusions made.
4. Companies are strongly advised to step up screening process at their workplace to avoid being on the HIDE list.
5. Several appeals were made for the authorities to reduce the shutdown of three days as per HIDE's guidelines to one day, given that the sanitising process can be done overnight.
6. The current SOP of 30% management staff in the office is the maximum allowable. MITI encourages companies to go below 30% if possible, as the hospitals are pushed to the limit and there is a critical need to manage the number of cases.
7. The Model 1 proposal for onsite Vaccination Programme for Manufacturing and Related Services ([REFER TO MPMA'S CIRCULAR 56/21 DATED 28 APRIL 2021](#)) is in the final stages of being finalised by MITI. It will then be presented to MoH and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) Ministers for consideration and approval. This will only be implemented when there are sufficient vaccines to cater for in phases 2 and 3 of the National Immunisation Programme.

Thank you.

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