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**MANUFACTURING SECTORS ALLOWED TO OPERATE  
BASED ON EMPLOYEES' FULL VACCINATION RATE**

Reference is made to the MEDIA STATEMENTS by the [PRIME MINISTER](#) as well as the [MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY \(MITI\)](#) dated 15 August 2021.

The following policies apply to all states under Phases 1, 2 and 3 of the National Recovery Plan (NRP) that have reached at least 50% capacity of adult population (18 years and above) who have completed vaccination. The policy is effective on 16.08.2021.

1. 11 types of economic activities were allowed to resume operations in Phases 1 and 2. Individuals who have been fully vaccinated can take advantage of these facilities when these facilities come into effect.

See [INFOGRAPHIC](#)

2. The Government has agreed to allow all non-essential activities in the manufacturing, construction, mining and quarrying sectors to resume operations from 16.08.2021 in Phases 1, 2 and 3 of the NRP states based on the rate of their fully vaccinated workers.
3. Manufacturing sector companies listed as essential services in NRP's Phases 1, 2 and 3 are allowed to increase their capacity of workers on site based on the rate of fully vaccinated workers.
4. Operating capacity of vaccinated workers are as follows:
  - i. 40% - 59% fully vaccinated workers - allowed to operate at 60% capacity
  - ii. 60% - 79% fully vaccinated workers - allowed to operate at 80% capacity
  - iii. 80% - 100% fully vaccinated workers - allowed to operate at 100% capacity
5. Companies are required to declare the number and names of their fully vaccinated employees in the CIMS 3.0 system. Upon declaration, the company may directly download the latest approval letter to operate. Access to CIMS 3.0 for the vaccination rate declaration is limited to only the manufacturing sector.

See [HOW TO UPDATE STAFF VACCINATION INFORMATION IN CIMS 3.0 FOR COMPANIES UNDER MITI'S APPROVAL CLUSTER](#)

6. Verification of the employee vaccination rates will be done through the Covid-19 Immunisation Task Force (CITF) under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI). Periodic verification visits will also be carried out by enforcement personnel on manufacturing companies.
7. In addition to the existing Standard Operation Procedures (SOP), companies are required to conduct the RTK Antigen Testing as approved by the Ministry of Health (MOH) through self-testing or at health facilities every two weeks for employees as a proactive measure to curb the spread of Covid-19 virus amongst employees. Current SOPs such as physical distancing, wearing of face masks and others are still applicable and mandatory for companies.

Any company found not complying with the SOPs and non-compliance is an offence that can result in legal action, including fines or closure of the company for a specified period.

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