



## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) ABOUT CONDITIONAL MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER (CMCO)**

### **MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### **A. OPERATIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs)**

##### **1. Will HEIs operate as usual during the CMCO?**

All HEIs are to remain closed. Only administrative, maintenance and business operations are permitted to go on with a minimum number of staff.

#### **B. SAFETY**

##### **2. How can HEIs ensure the safety and health of students and staff?**

The entry of any individual into campus grounds for administrative or maintenance purposes has to be monitored closely by all HEIs following the SOP set by the Ministry of Health and National Security Council, as follows:

- i. Access to the campus is restricted only via authorised and monitored entrances to facilitate efficient monitoring;
- ii. Every person who enters the campus must wear a surgical mask, register themselves and undergo body temperature screening at the guard post or respective areas of responsibility;
- iii. Any individual with a body temperature of more than 37.5°C at time of screening will not be allowed on campus;
- iv. Staff are not allowed to bring family members into the workplace during and after the CMCO to prevent possible transmission;
- v. Hand sanitiser is provided for common use at front counter / entrance to office, library, lecture halls / classrooms and labs;
- vi. Social distancing (distance of 1 meter) is always followed; and
- vii. Disinfection of all locations within HEIs is conducted following a regular schedule, including all equipment and facilities that are frequently touched, using substances endorsed by the Ministry of Health.

## C. CONDUCTING MEETINGS

### 3. Are meetings permitted during CMCO?

All HEIs are required to conduct meetings online. Face-to-face meetings are only permitted if extremely necessary and HEI management is required to follow SOP and not involve a large number of members.

## D. ORGANISATION OF PROGRAMMES / CEREMONIES

### 4. How about organisation of convocation ceremonies / conferences / seminars?

NOT PERMITTED. All events that involve the gathering of a large number of people should be postponed. Therefore, convocation ceremonies are to be postponed to a later date that is authorised by the government. Apart from this, all conferences or seminars must be postponed following orders from the government.

## E. STUDENT MANAGEMENT

### 5. How about registration of new local students?

Registration of new local students must follow the schedule put in place for SPM and STPM/equivalent leavers. HEI management must conduct online registration for the upcoming student intake following directions and procedures that are communicated from time to time.

### 6. Is registration of new international students allowed?

NO. New dates for international student registration will be announced later.

### 7. How about management of international students who have returned to their own countries?

All international students who have returned to their own countries are not allowed to enter Malaysia until a date that will be announced by the government. Nevertheless, they can still follow online classes. HEI management must inform the international students of this requirement and any changes related to this matter.

## F. RESEARCH

8. Are research activities and T&L in laboratories allowed during CMCO?

NO. Only online activities are allowed.

9. Is research data collection allowed during CMCO?

YES but ONLINE ONLY.

10. Is face-to-face supervision allowed during CMCO?

NO.

11. Are HEI personnel allowed to attend conferences / seminars in person?

NO.

### Note:

1. It is the responsibility of all parties to understand and adhere to all directions from the National Security Council and SOP for COVID-19 Prevention by the Ministry of Health to lower the risk and control the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Any update on the latest directions from the National Security Council and Ministry of Health will be circulated from time to time.