



MEDIA STATEMENT

UPDATED GUIDELINES ON MASS GATHERINGS AND DOMESTIC ACTIVITIES

Bandar Seri Begawan, Saturday, 2nd April 2022

With the consent of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam, the COVID-19 Steering Committee hereby announces **updates to guidelines on mass gatherings and domestic activities which will be implemented starting today, 2nd April 2022, whereby vaccination status will no longer be considered as a requirement to enter any premises or participate in activities in the country.**

As such,

- **All individuals are allowed to return to work, regardless of their vaccination status.** For continuous surveillance of COVID-19 in the country, all employees – either in the public or private sector – are recommended to undergo Antigen Rapid Test (ART) once a week, whereby the provision and cost of ART kits are subject to the respective employers; and
- The current additional requirement for unvaccinated individuals to obtain a negative ART result certificate before entering premises is hereby **revoked**.

The COVID-19 Steering Committee will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation where relevant guidelines will be updated from time to time. Further information and details can be found on the Prime Minister's Office website at www.jpm.gov.bn.

On this occasion, on behalf of members of the COVID-19 Steering Committee, we would like to wish a happy Ramadhan Al-Mubarak to all muslims in the country and pray that Allah *Subhanahu Wata'ala* will continue to bestow His blessings upon us to perform deeds of worship in this holy month and for Allah *Subhanahu Wata'ala* to protect us from COVID-19. Amin ya rabbal 'alamin.

COVID-19 STEERING COMMITTEE

Brunei Darussalam

30th Sya'ban 1443

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