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## NEW URGENT MEASURES TO CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THAILAND

Thailand Prime Minister General Prayut Chan-o-cha announced new urgent measures to contain the local transmission of COVID-19 and stop the increasing number of patients in 10 target provinces, which are included in the "maximum and strict COVID-9 control zone", these include:

- 1. Bangkok
- 2. Nakhon Pathom
- 3. Nonthaburi
- 4. Pathum Thani
- 5. Samut Prakan
- 6. Samut Sakhon
- 7. Narathiwat
- 8. Pattani
- 9. Yala
- 10. Songkhla

The announcement on Regulation No. 25, signed by the Prime Minister General, was published in the Royal Gazette on 26 June 2021. It was issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) and will be in effect from 28 June 2021.

The new urgent measures are as follows:

- Construction sites must close temporarily, at least for 30 days, and labor mobility is prohibited temporarily;
- b. Restaurants and food shops must provide only take-home services;
- c. Shopping centers, department stores, and community malls, may stay open until 21.00 hr; they must stop offering services at theaters, cinemas, and water parks, while food courts must not receive dine-in customers; the distance between waiting seats must also increase and the efficiency of air ventilation systems must be improved;
- d. Gatherings with more than 20 participants are not allowed without permission from the authorities;
- e. Hotels, exhibition centers, convention centers, and exhibition sites may remain open as usual, but they must refrain from organizing meetings, seminars, and catering;

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f. Checkpoints must be set up to screen the travel of people into and out of the 10 target provinces.

Government Spokesperson Anucha Burapachaisri explained that the stricter measures would be implemented temporarily in high-risk areas, in accordance with the current COVID-19 situation. Generally, people may travel and conduct their daily activities as usual, but they should avoid inter-provincial travel during this time, however, this announcement of the regulation is not meant as a lockdown.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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