



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

RESOLUTION NO. 41

Series of 2020

May 29, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, to prevent the sharp rise of COVID-19 cases in the country, the President placed the entirety of Luzon under Enhanced Community Quarantine until April 14, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, to develop a science-based approach in determining whether the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon should be totally or partially lifted, extended, or expanded to other areas, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) convened a sub-Technical Working Group tasked to define parameters in assessing recent developments in the Philippine COVID-19 situation;

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the IATF finalized the parameters for deciding on the lifting or extension of the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon, which include trends on the COVID-19 epidemiological curve, the health capacity of the country, social factors, economic factors, and security factors;

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, the Office of the Executive Secretary issued Executive Order (E.O.) No. 112 Imposing an Enhanced Community Quarantine in High-Risk Geographic Areas of the Philippines and a General Community Quarantine in the Rest of The Country from 01 To 15 May 2020, Adopting The Omnibus Guidelines On The Implementation Thereof, And For Other Purposes;

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted to the IATF under E.O. 112, the IATF issued and published amended Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, as of May 28, 2020, there are a total of fifteen thousand five hundred eighty-eight (15, 588) confirmed cases in the Philippines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the following:

- A. The recommendations of the IATF Screening and Validation Committee are approved. Beginning 01 June 2020, the community quarantine classification of Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) based on epidemic risk level, economic, social, and security



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

considerations, and the appeals and commitment of local government units (LGUs) shall be adopted:

1. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until 15 June 2020:
 - a. For Luzon:
 - i. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) - Abra, Apayao, Baguio, Benguet, Ifugao, Kalinga, Mountain Province;
 - ii. Region I - Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Dagupan City;
 - iii. Region IV-B - Marinduque, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Romblon, Palawan, Puerto Princesa City; and
 - iv. Region V - Albay, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Masbate, Sorsogon, Legazpi City, and Naga City.
 - b. For Visayas:
 - i. Region VI - Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Guimaras, Iloilo, Negros Occidental, Iloilo City, Bacolod City; and
 - ii. Region VIII - Biliran, Eastern Samar, Leyte, Northern Samar, Western Samar, Southern Leyte, Ormoc City, Tacloban City;
 - c. For Mindanao:
 - i. Region IX - Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur, Zamboanga Sibugay, Isabela City;
 - ii. Region X - Bukidnon, Camiguin, Lanao del Norte, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Cagayan de Oro City;
 - iii. Region XI - Davao de Oro, Davao del Norte, Davao del Sur, Davao Occidental, Davao Oriental;
 - iv. Region XII - North Cotabato, South Cotabato, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, General Santos City;
 - v. Region XIII (Caraga) - Agusan del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Dinagat Islands, Surigao del Norte, Surigao del Sur, Butuan City; and
 - vi. Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) - Basilan, Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Sulu, Tawi-Tawi, Cotabato City.



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

2. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 15 June 2020:
 - a. For Luzon:
 - i. Pangasinan;
 - ii. Region II - Batanes, Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino, Santiago City;
 - iii. Region III - Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Tarlac, Zambales, Angeles City, Olongapo City;
 - iv. Region IV-A - Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon, Lucena City; and
 - v. All HUCs of the National Capital Region (NCR) and the municipality of Pateros
 - b. For Visayas:
 - i. Region VII - Bohol, Cebu, Negros Oriental, Siquijor, Cebu City, Mandaue City, Lapu-Lapu City.
 - c. For Mindanao:
 - i. Zamboanga City; and
 - ii. Davao City.
 3. While classified as high risk areas, all HUCs of the National Capital Region (NCR) and the Municipality of Pateros, and Cebu City shall be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 15 June 2020. Their respective RIATFs are hereby directed to monitor health system performance, capacity, and strict compliance to surveillance, isolation, and treatment protocols. Further, Cebu City shall submit their detailed plans on zoning for the City and priority barangays.
 4. All provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall observe the enforcement of minimum public health standards, strict localized community quarantine in priority areas. Regional COVID Special Teams shall oversee and assist surveillance monitoring, contact tracing, and isolation for immediate action. Local chief executives may impose localized quarantine in select areas or establishments with concurrence of the RIATF.
- B. The recommendations of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to reclassify the barbershop and salon industry as Category III is hereby approved. The proposed protocols for their reopening are hereby adopted, the specifics of which are as follows:



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

1. The minimum health standards protocol of the barbershop and salon industry is hereby approved, and is cleared for distribution to and compliance of the concerned sector;
2. The recommendation to gradually reopen salons and barbershops is hereby approved, the details of which are as follows:
 - a. In areas under general community quarantine (GCQ), the industry can begin to reopen on 7 June 2020 at thirty percent (30%) operational capacity. The operational capacity of salons and barbershops can gradually increase to 50%. *Provided that* venue capacity allows for social distancing protocols. The gradual increase shall be scheduled every two weeks from the effectivity of this Resolution subject to regular assessment of the IATF. *Provided further,* that such businesses are compliant with the proper protocols prescribed by the DTI; and
 - b. In areas under modified general community quarantine (MGCQ), they are allowed at fifty percent (50%) of operational capacity, and up to one hundred percent (100%) after 3 weeks.
 - c. For these purposes, Section 4(6)(c) of the Omnibus Guidelines is hereby amended as follows:

x x x

*Category III Industries - Financial services, legal and accounting, and auditing services, professional, scientific, technical, and other non-leisure services, **barbershops and salons limited to basic hair cutting services,** and other non-leisure wholesale and retail establishments, **from skeleton workforce to** fifty percent (50%) operational capacity, and without prejudice to work-from-home and other alternative work arrangements.*

The foregoing lists of sectors and industries per category are illustrative.** Specific industries under each category are reflected in a separate document issued by the DTI which **shall contain the updated guidelines to implement the gradual increase of operational capacity without diminution of the current operational capacity previously allowed.



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

x x x

3. The resumption of, and continued operations of salons and barbershops shall be subject to their proprietors' compliance with the proper health protocols set by the DTI. Further, their compliance shall be assessed through a post-audit mechanism which shall be led by the DTI, DOH, LGU Health Office and/or other deputized organizations.

APPROVED during the 41st Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 29th of May 2020 *via* video conference.



FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III
Secretary, Department of Health
IATF Chairperson



KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES
Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretary
IATF Co-Chairperson




REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that:

1. I am presently an Assistant Secretary of the Department of Health;
2. I am the designated Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, series of 2014 and chaired by the Department of Health (DOH);
3. The IATF Secretariat holds office in the DOH Main Office, San Lazaro Compound, Tayuman, Sta. Cruz, Manila;
4. I am the custodian of the records of the IATF, including the Minutes of Meetings and Resolutions;
5. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on 29 May 2020 via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. 41 was unanimously approved and adopted;
6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon authority of the IATF Members;
7. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect;
8. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 29th day of May 2020, Manila.


KENNETH G. RONQUILLO, MD, MPH
Assistant Secretary, Department of Health
Secretariat Head, IATF