

## REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI



### **s21, 37(3) Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act 2019**

### **s2, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 Public Health Infectious Disease Regulation**

#### **CURFEW ORDER**

I, **Te Berelifenti, Taneti Maamau**, in exercise of the power conferred upon me under the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act and the Public Health Infectious Disease Regulation, and following the conditions of Alert Level 3, hereby declare the following law for South Tarawa, Betio, Buota and Butaritari as follows:-

1. Curfew hours from 8pm to 5am everyday.
2. All Government Offices, SOES will continue to open for operation but to comply with the SOP in place for the offices. Church administration offices are encouraged to open for operation as they see fit and to comply with the SOP for offices.
3. All essential service providers (food wholesale and retail) from the private sector will remain open to the public from 6am to 7pm. They must ensure that social distancing of 2m and compulsory wearing of face mask is maintained inside and outside of their shops at all times.
4. Other businesses that sell tyres, building materials, video shops, building contractors, restaurants for takeaways ONLY can operate but to comply with MHMS guidelines social distancing of 2m, wear face mask, no spitting and nose blowing.
5. Fishing from 5am to 7pm is hereby allowed and that fishing boats or net fishing near shore is restricted to a group of 4 or a maximum of 4 crew for fishing boats. All fishing boats are not allowed to visit other villages or islands apart from their point of origin.

6. Public transportation services may operate but will also observe compulsory face mask, open windows, no spitting and nose blowing and other MHMS guidelines and passengers must not share seats nor stand.
7. School closure will remain until further notice, except for the islands of Kiritimati, Tabuaeran and Teraina which have limited access to internet and radio to participate in remote learning.
8. All kava bars, liquor bars, and night clubs will be closed. Bingo game is still not allowed.
9. Social gatherings (including churches) up to 20 people are allowed to gather in outdoor setting. With appropriate distancing, masks and good ventilation.
10. Access to hospital services will be conducted according to the Ministry of Health and Medical Service guidelines as earlier announced.
11. Delivery of cargoes, fuels and medical supplies by vessel or air service will continue to outer island with no passengers allowed. Only those stranded in the outer islands are allowed to return to Tarawa provided they meet health travel requirements.
12. Passengers travelling from South Tarawa and Betio to COVID-19 free islands are allowed with approval from island councils via MIA. These passengers will need to undergo tested negative before travelling. Passengers of 18 years and over must have been fully vaccinated before they can travel. Vessel operators must ensure that this requirement is followed. Other SOP requirement in relation to travelling must also be followed by the passengers and crews.
13. All police officers and other responsible Government officers are hereby ordered to ensure that this Order and future directions issued out of this Order and Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation and the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act are complied with by the public.
14. Urgent direction(s) other than those listed here, if there is a need, may be issued later to the police and other officers of the Government for execution in relation to certain areas or groups of people or activities etc where it

deemed necessary to achieve the purposes of this Order and the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation and the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act in relation to COVID-19.

15. Any person who contravenes any conditions of this Order commits an offence and will be liable to be arrested by the police or imprisonment. On the spot fines of \$100 may be imposed by enforcement officers and such fine must be paid to the Ministry of Finance within 14 days from the date of issue or face prosecution. For clarification purposes, any breach of all the provisions of the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation is an offence.
16. In case of any inconsistencies between this version and the Kiribati version, the Kiribati version shall prevail.
17. This Order repeals any previous Lockdown and Curfew Orders and is effective on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 6 am until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 at 5am.

Dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**HE TANETI MAAMAU**

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SECRETARY TO THE CABINET