



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **CRITICAL SECTORS THAT SUPPORT THE PRODUCTION OF HEALTHCARE PRODUCTS, FOOD AND BEVERAGES AS WELL AS THE GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAINS ARE ALLOWED TO OPERATE IN EMCO AREAS IN SELANGOR**

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Following the Cabinet meeting chaired by the YAB Prime Minister today, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) moved swiftly to implement the Cabinet's decision soonest by convening further discussions with the Minister of Finance and the Minister at the Prime Minister's Department (Economy). In this regard, MITI wishes to inform that the Electrical & Electronics (E&E) sector and its supply chains; Aerospace sector (Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO)); Machinery and Equipment (M&E) sector for the production of healthcare and food products; as well as the key food and beverage manufacturing companies are now allowed to operate in localities subject to the Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO) in Selangor, beginning today.

The list of key food and beverage products is available in the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for the Manufacturing Sector, for the EMCO in Selangor, which can be accessed at [www.miti.gov.my](http://www.miti.gov.my).

MITI wishes to affirm that this decision demonstrates the importance and significance of these sectors in supporting the production of goods in the global supply chain as well as the critical production of health and food & beverage products in the country.

Companies in these sectors can resume operations using the existing COVID-19 Intelligent Management System (CIMS) 3.0 approval letter which bears the acronym 'PKP 3.0' and dated June 2021 and thereafter.

MITI wishes to underscore that companies are obliged to fully comply with the current SOPs for the Manufacturing Sector, for the EMCO in Selangor, that include allowed sectors and activities, as well as the need to adhere to the work force capacity at a



rate of 60 per cent while the remainder 40 per cent of employees are to adhere to Work From Home policy.

Through the Public-Private Partnership COVID-19 Industry Immunisation Program (PIKAS), which commenced 16 June 2021, MITI is hopeful that an enhanced and expedited vaccination program targeted at manufacturing sector workers will serve to protect workers' health and ensure the nation's economic sustainability.

MITI also called on the industry to work closely with the Government in flattening the COVID-19 curve. Enforcement activities will also be based on the evaluation of the Hotspot Identification for Dynamic Engagement (HIDE) Early Warning System, to facilitate the detection of high-risk locations for COVID-19 transmission.

Any company found violating the SOPs will be subject to legal action including fines or closure of the premise for a certain period of time.

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