



Ubon Ratchathani University Announcement
Subject: Measures and Surveillance of the Novel Coronavirus 2019 Outbreak (COVID-19)
on Campus
(No. 4)

With reference to the university's Announcement on Measures and Surveillance of the Coronavirus Outbreak dated 27 January 2020, Announcement on Countries and Territories under Consideration for the Implementation of the Measures and Surveillance of the Coronavirus dated 23 February 2020, and Announcement on Preventive Measures against the Outbreak of the New Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Infectious Disease (3rd Issue) dated 25 February 2020, and with reference to the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation's Measures and Surveillance of the New Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak (2nd Issue) in line with the measures of the Ministry of Public Health, Ubon Ratchathani University with reference to the adopted resolution of the 3/2020 university administrative board meeting dated 3 March 2020 hereby issues additional measures and surveillance of the new Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak on the university campus detailed as follows:

Procedures for students and staff:

1. Students and staff are to refrain from or avoid travels to countries or special administrative regions at risk for COVID-19 or with reports of infected cases until the situation returns to normal, which will depend on an announcement from the Ministry of Public Health.

2. Students and staff are suggested to follow these procedures:

2.1 Maintain good health. Wash hands regularly with clean water and disinfectant soap or alcohol gel with at least 70 percent alcohol concentration. Avoid unnecessary touching of the eyes, nose and mouth with hands. Put on a clean face mask when in a crowded place.

2.2 People with fever, coughs, sneezes or running nose must wear a medical face mask to prevent the spread of the disease.

2.3 To dispose a used face mask, fold and put it in a plastic bag. Close the bag tightly before leaving it in a bin with a lid. Wash hands with disinfectant soap and alcohol gel immediately.

3. Should students and staff receive information about people returning from countries at risk without informing the university, the university kindly asks for cooperation to pass on the information to the Disease Control Division of Ubon Ratchathani University Hospital by calling 045- 353900 ext. 7049 or 7050, or 088- 6279893 (Contact person: Ms Supreeya Nithipanich).

Procedures for students taking final exams for the second semester of the 2019 academic year:

Students and proctors must follow the following procedures:

1. Before the exam day, should there be any fever symptoms or respiratory-related symptoms, namely coughing, mucus, breathing difficulty, or any certain unwell symptoms, students and proctors are recommended to wear a sanitary mask and see a doctor at the hospital. Should students be unable to take the exam, they are required to submit a make-up exam request

form. As for exam proctors, they are required to inform their superiors to consider arranging a substitute.

2. Students and proctors with allergy-related symptoms, such as coughing and sneezing, must wear a sanitary mask while in the exam room.

3. Students and proctors must wash their hands with alcohol gel before entering the exam room.

4. Apart from the above-mentioned procedures, it is required that students scheduled to take exams in central learning buildings 3, 4 and 5 are to arrive 30 minutes prior to the exam start time in order to undergo the necessary screening process to identify any unwell symptoms. These procedures have been agreed upon between the University Hospital and the University of Academic Service Division.

Procedures for university bodies:

1. University bodies must increase health measures for all areas and buildings, such as increasing the frequency of cleaning with disinfectants for entrances to buildings and restrooms and areas with frequent public uses such as elevator buttons, staircase handrails, or door knobs. They must provide disinfectant soaps in the restrooms and arrange service points with alcohol hand gel, especially at entrance areas of buildings, meeting rooms, and cafeterias. They must especially increase the frequency of maintenance for air conditioning systems, and put up announcements to raise awareness of the spread and the formal procedures of preventing the virus, etc.

2. University bodies must avoid inviting individuals from any countries or special administrative regions at risk for COVID-19 or with reports of infected cases to attend teaching and learning activities, conferences, or seminars until the situation returns to normal, which will depend on an announcement from the Ministry of Public Health. They may consider using online teaching and learning systems or online conferences instead.

3. University bodies should postpone organizing conferences, seminars, or other activities of a similar nature, of which attendees are non-university members. In the case that the responsible body or organizers consider it necessary with sound reasons to carry out the conferences, seminars, or other activities of a similar nature, the responsible body must prepare screening procedures. The prevention methods and controls must strictly adhere to the following protocols:

3.1 Before the date of the conferences, seminars, or other activities of a similar nature, the responsible body or organizers must inform the attendees of the measures. Should any attendees have any fever symptoms or respiratory-related symptoms, namely coughing, mucus, sore throats, dyspnea or breathing difficulty, or any certain unwell symptoms, the attendees must refrain from joining the event or assign a substitute.

3.2 On the date of the conferences, seminars, or other activities of a similar nature, the responsible body or organizers must arrange the appropriate screening procedures for those with any fever symptoms or respiratory-related symptoms.

3.3 The responsible body or organizers must hold their conferences, seminars, or other activities of a similar nature in a spacious conference venue to avoid excessive crowding in one place.

3.4 The responsible body or organizers must provide disinfectant soaps in the restrooms and arrange service points with alcohol hand gel.

Students and staff must strictly conform to this announcement until the situation returns to normal, which will depend on an announcement from the Ministry of Public Health.

Please kindly take the necessary precautions and follow the announced procedures accordingly.

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