

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association NEWSLETTER

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Donation to COVID – 19 Quarantine Centre (Aung Myint Mo Housing)

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association(MGMA), Korea Garment Association in Myanmar (KOGAM), Hong Kong Myanmar Manufacturers Association in Myanmar (HKMMA), (3) garment associations donated 300 beds from MGMA(MMK 9,840,000 kyats), 800 electric cookers from KOGAM (MMK 20,000,000) and stationary for doctors from HKMMA (MMK 1,391,000 kyats) to COVID – 19 Quarantine Centre(Aung Myint Mo Housing, South Dagon) on October 3,2020 and hospital superintendent gave the Certificate of Honour back to each association. MGMA association will continue in doing and participating in CSR activities.



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The Ministry of Health and Sports released the order again (Notification 113/2020) on October 5, 2020 that the extension of not allowing for going the workers who work at the factories and workplace under the raw material and cut-make-pack(CMP) from 8.10.2020 to 21.10.2020. The order has stated the reasons of extension that the number of confirmed cases remains high in Yangon Region at present, and containment measure is still needed to prevent infection from the positive cases with no symptoms of COVID – 19 in public areas.

Republic of the Union of Myanmar Ministry of Health and Sports Order 113/2020 4th Waning of Tawthalin, 1382 (5 October 2020)

The Ministry of Health and Sports is exercising the rights in Article 21-(b) of the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases Law to issue this order.

- The Ministry of Health and Sports has issued Order 107/2020 dated 20-9-2020 for the Stay-at-Home programme which covers people in all townships, except for Cocogyun Township, in Yangon Region as a part of real-time measures against prevention of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- The paragraph 3(c) of that order has stipulated that the workers at the factories and workplaces under the raw material and cut-make-pack(CMP) were not allowed for going to the works from 24-9-2020 to 7-10-2020.
- However, the above-mentioned period will be extended from 8-10-2020 to 21-10-2020 for those businesses as the number of confirmed cases remains high in Yangon Region at present, and containment measure is still needed to prevent infection from the positive cases with no symptoms of COVID-19 in public areas.
- 4. Failure to comply with this order will have action taken in accordance with existing laws.

Dr Myint Htwe Union Minister

Notification on the payment of salaries to workers during the suspension period

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) released the notification on October 7, 2020 about the payment of salaries to workers during the suspension period. 'Raw material and Cut-Make-Pack(CMP) factories and workplaces are not allowed to have staffs coming into the workplace' to extend for CMP factories from 8.10.2020 to 21.10.2020 and there has become the difficulty in paying the salaries to workers on 8.10.2020 and 10.10.2020. So, Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association(MGMA) described some suggestions in the Notification that dividing the workers by three to five days according to sewing line or department line with separate hours by considering with number of workers, workers address, and other related matters, giving announcement to the workers to give prior notice and to ask the permission from the relevant ward administrator as described in the Order No.(107/2020) (20.9.2020) of Ministry of Health and Sports and also the process of paying salaries should be given with Notice Letter to the relevant Industrial Zone Management, Workshop and Labour Inspection Department Law and Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA).

Announcement about sharing Initial Information and Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID – 19) controlling, preventing and medicating instruction to follow for reopening the factories in soon

Manufacturers Association(MGMA) Myanmar Garment released the announcement on October 11, 2020 about the sharing initial information and Coronavirus disease 2019(COVID - 19) controlling and preventing and medicating instruction to follow for reopening the factories in soon. The CMP factories had been temporarily closing due to the extension 14 days from 8.10.2020 to 21.10.2020. But the CMP factories, workplaces and SMEs that meet the 'A-level' practices in COVID - 19 containment measures will be allowed for resumption of their businesses commencing 12.10.2020 based on the decision of the National-Level Central Committee on preventing, controlling and treatment of COVID - 19 due to the Order No. (124/2020). When reopening again, the CMP factories, workplaces and SMEs need to follow the Guidelines 4.0 and 4.1 from the Ministry of Health and Sports to get 'A-level' and if the factories did not meet the requirements to get 'A-Level', the factories need to close again was described.

Announcement about the 40%SSB fund from Social Security Board

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association(MGMA) released the announcement on October 12, 2020 about the 40% SSB fund from Social Security Board. The factories workers who meet the things to follow from Notification No. (196/2020) from Ministry of Labor, Immigration and Population will get the 40%SSB fund from Social Security Board during the temporarily closed announcement by the Ministry of Health and Sports from 24.9.2020 to 7.10.2020.

Instructions for not to carry out the COVID – 19 diagnostic tests at the factory

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association(MGMA) released the statement on October 13, 2020 about the instructions not to carry out COVID – 19 diagnostic tests at the factory. The Ministry of Health and Sports already released the Guidelines 4.0 and 4.1 to control and prevent COVID – 19 and also the statement also released to state that as the factories and workplaces are not allowed to do the diagnostic tests at the factory with test kit on themselves.

Donation of medical devices to COVID – 19 Quarantine Centre

Japanese Garment Manufacturers Association, through Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) donated medical devices (MMK 4,522,830 kyats) for using to prevent, medicate and control the COVID – 19 in COVID – 19 quarantine centre (Aung Myint Mo housing, South Dagon township) and also donated the medical devices (MMK 2,963,000 kyats) for Yoma quarantine centre (Dagon Seikkan township) on October (12) and (13), 2020.





Sharing information about Overtime (OT) from Custom Department

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) released the announcement on October 26, 2020 about the information about overtime from custom department. In the announcement, it has described that the CMP imports and exports of member factories can process on 29.10.2020 (Thursday) and the office works and clearance can process on 30.10.2020 (Friday) from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm during (5) Thidingyut holidays from 29.10.2020 to 2.11.2020.

Donation of Hotel rooms for Medical workers to rest

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) donated (250) hotel rooms (MMK 7,500,000 kyats) on October 21, 2020 and (300) rooms (MMK 7,500,000 kyats) on October 26, 2020 from Diamond Crown Hotel through the activity of the team 'Save Our Heros' for medical workers to rest without going back to their homes. MGMA will continue doing in the CSR activities deeply.

