

COVID-19 Food & Beverage Impact: Monitoring Update

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As more markets enter the recovery phase with the number of infections coming under control, supply chain issues are gradually being resolved, and more focus will be on economic recovery, consumer behaviour and other issues.

Our new dashboard provides an overview of the status of recovery for each country's food supply chain in the areas of logistics, manufacturing, import/export and food service. The status is determined by the country's measures and the table below.

Status	Logistics	Manufacturing	Import/Export	Food Service
	Logistics operate as usual	All food factories are allowed to operate as usual with full capacity	Import and export activities are allowed to operate as usual	All food services are allowed to operate as usual (dine in, takeaway, delivery)
	Logistics operations are restricted (with exemptions for food and its essential supplies)	All food factories are allowed to operate with controlled capacity	Import and export activities are restricted (with exemptions for food and its essential supplies)	All food services are allowed to operate (only for takeaway, delivery)
	Logistics operations are restricted	Limited food factories are allowed to operate with controlled capacity	Import and export activities are restricted for certain food products	Limited food services are allowed to operate (only for takeaway, delivery)

STATUS OF RECOVERY

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ENTERING RECOVERY PHASE

	Logistics	Manufacturing	Import/Export	Food Service
China	●	●	●	●
Taiwan	●	●	●	●
Singapore	●	●	●	●
Sri Lanka	●	●	●	●
Vietnam	●	●	●	●
Laos	●	●	●	●
Japan	●	●	●	●
South Korea	●	●	●	●

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ENTERING RECOVERY PHASE

	Logistics	Manufacturing	Import/Export	Food Service
Brunei				
Australia				
New Zealand				

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RESTRICTIONS STILL IN PLACE

	Logistics	Manufacturing	Import/Export	Food Service
India				
Indonesia				
Malaysia				
Philippines				
Thailand				
Myanmar				

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ENTERING RECOVERY PHASE

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| 1. China | 4. Sri Lanka | 7. Japan | 10. Australia |
| 2. Taiwan | 5. Vietnam | 8. South Korea | 11. New Zealand |
| 3. Singapore | 6. Laos | 9. Brunei | |

RESTRICTIONS STILL IN PLACE

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| 1. India | 4. Philippines |
| 2. Indonesia | 5. Thailand |
| 3. Malaysia | 6. Myanmar |



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- What can companies do to build trust?

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CHINA

China continues ease international travel restrictions.

MEASURES

- China has established agreement with a few countries, including Singapore, Japan, Britain, Germany, France, Italy and Switzerland to establish "green channel" to facilitate international travels.
- However, the travel will only be allowed for essential travel, including those who are working in the countries/foreign countries. The green channel will simplify the approval procedures and shorten the processing time for the essential travels through the joint control mechanism by countries.



TAIWAN

The government loosens restrictions on applicants requesting COVID-19 testing.

MEASURES

- The Central Epidemic Command Center (CECC) announced that it will further ease restrictions on applicants for COVID-19 testing. Public will be allowed to undergo COVID-19 test at the designated hospitals for the following purposes:
 - Individual who subjects under home quarantine, however, will need to attend funeral
 - Individual who needs to visit other countries/regions for emergency reasons
 - Individual who requests COVID-19 testing for work
 - Individual who requests COVID-19 testing for studying abroad
 - Foreign national who requests COVID-19 testing for departure
 - Family of those listed above





SINGAPORE

The country embarked on a three-phased approach to resume activities and businesses as the circuit breaker came to an end on 2 June.

MEASURES

- With the start of Phase One (“Safe Re-opening”), the government has explored the piloting of fast lane arrangements with a few other countries and regions to allow essential activities overseas and safe travel for foreigners entering the country in limited numbers.
- Singapore and China have agreed to create a fast lane to facilitate essential business and official travel between both countries. As a start, fast lane will be established between six Chinese provinces and municipalities (Chongqing, Guangdong, Jiangsu, Shanghai, Tianjin and Zhejiang) and Singapore.
- Inbound business or official travellers to Singapore that are sponsored by government agencies may submit applications through their respective sponsors from 8 June. Applications for company-sponsored travellers will come in a later phase.
- Besides China, Singapore is also in bilateral discussions with several countries about opening channels for travel, including Malaysia, South Korea, New Zealand.



SRI LANKA

The government continues impose temporary curfew as effort to prevent COVID-19.

MEASURES

- As 5 June will be the Poson Poya Day in Sri Lanka, the nationwide curfew will be imposed from 4 June to 5 June 2020 to control public movement. In addition, from 1 June to 3 June, the curfew will be effective in all the districts between 10:00pm to 04:00 am daily. The similar curfew will be imposed from 6 June onwards until further notice. The economic and social activities operate as usual during the non-curfew hours with the adherence to the issued Guidelines. On 30 May, the Guidelines for each sector were updated ¹.
- In addition, it was noted that relaxations have been granted for particular import situations, including import for export, non-locally available raw materials and certain food categories. However, some of the food categories ² still subject under the temporarily suspension at the moment.



VIETNAM



Minister of Industry and Trade highlighted the need to limit trade barriers, including tariff and non-tariff restrictions, to restore the economies of ASEAN members amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

MEASURES

- Minister of Industry and Trade Tran Tuan Anh chaired an online meeting between economic ministers in Southeast Asia and China, Japan and South Korea.
- The Ha Noi Action Plan was adopted where it is based on the joint statement of ASEAN Economic Ministers in March 2020. Ministers agreed to the following commitments:
 - Ensure food security
 - Enhance resilience and sustainability of regional supply chain
- The ministers also discussed on other measures, including ways to ensure the smooth flow and transport of essential goods such as food items and medical products between ASEAN and partner countries, ways to promote customs cooperation to facilitate the clearance of goods at country borders.





LAOS

The Prime Minister's Office released updated lockdown measures to allow more sectors to reopen as the spread comes under control.

MEASURES

- With
 - All types of sporting events and competitions but without spectators
 - Night markets
 - Restaurants with official authorisation. Bars and beer shops are to remain closed
 - Cinemas with social distancing conditions and other prevention measures as outlined by the National Taskforce
 - Construction projects, plants, and factories with compliance to guidelines issued by the National Taskforce
- Some education institutions have resumed. Other classes and levels may resume classes beginning 15 June. Social distancing measures of at least one meter and other measures must be observed.
- Local, traditional, and international border checkpoints remain closed. Movement of people is restricted, except for drivers of cargo vehicles or authorised personnels.



JAPAN

The government's focus on reviving economy, seeking balance between virus control.

MEASURES

- Following the end of emergency state in Japan (25 May 2020), on 3 June, the prefectural governors discussed joint proposals focusing on reviving country's economy which heavily affected by COVID-19 while continuing efforts in virus control in the country. The governors called for continuously promotion of remote working and online meetings even after the state of emergency was lifted.
- In addition, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) issued the updated border enforcement measures, including denial of permission to entry for foreign nationals, quarantine measures, suspension of visa validity, suspension of visa exemption measures and restrictions on airport/ports for arrival¹.
- The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) continues its efforts in providing the latest food supply status in Japan².





SOUTH KOREA

The government discussed economic policies for the second half of 2020 while continuing rules “Distancing in daily life”¹.

UPDATES

- The 19th Ministerial Meeting on the Economy² was hosted to discuss the economic policies for the second half of 2020 to recover economy in the country. Some key topics were discussed, including
 - The second-half economic policies which aim to boost domestic demand, exports and other plans to prepare for a post COVID-19 economy along with the 3rd supplementary budget proposal.
 - A nationwide sales event which will be held from 26 June to 12 July 2020 to promote sales, dining out, as well as tourist programs.
 - Additional support for industries hit hardest by the COVID-19, including auto part suppliers, medium-sized shipbuilders textile and clothing makers, exhibition businesses and sports service providers.



BRUNEI

On 4 June, the Ministry of Health announced the additional reduction of social distancing measures.

MEASURES

- From 5 June onwards, tuition schools and music schools are allowed to open but limited to one-on-one classes.
- Owners of premises are required to comply with the following measures which are similarly required of businesses that have resumed operations:
 - Obtain a specific BruHealth QR Code for their premises, print the QR Code and attach it at the entrance area of the premise for customers to scan prior to entry and upon leaving the premise.
 - Conduct body temperature checks on all customers at the entrance and ensure the customers obey the guidelines on social distancing.
 - Advice anyone who have signs of infection and those of high risk to not come to the premises.





AUSTRALIA

Domestic flights to resume by the end of the month as restrictions ease.

MEASURES

- Regional and interstate flights are set to resume in late June. More flights may be added in July, subject to travel demands and the reopening of state borders.¹
- During the 10th ASEAN-Australia Joint Cooperation Committee meeting held via video conference on 2 June, ASEAN and Australia committed to strengthen their strategic partnership by refocusing cooperation on a number of priority areas to address challenges brought about by the pandemic. This includes boosting cooperation to minimise the human and social costs of COVID-19 and to support economic recovery, by focusing on health security and building a stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific region.²



NEW ZEALAND

With no new COVID-19 cases for the 12th consecutive day, all social distancing measures may be lifted next week.

MEASURES

- On 3 June, the Prime Minister announced that the nation may shift down to Alert Level 1. This means that all social distancing measures could be lifted to return the country back to pre-pandemic normality, with the exception of reopening New Zealand's borders.
- Under level 1, there is no requirement for physical distancing or limits on the number of people allowed in places like bars, clubs, churches, and sports venues.
- The government will work with large-scale event organisers to develop a voluntary "COVID code", which would help authorities in contact tracing if needed.¹





INDIA



The lockdown in India continues in Containment Zones and activities reopened in phased manner in areas outside Containment Zones.

MEASURES

- On 30 May, the government issued an order to extend the lockdown in Containment Zones until 30 June 2020, and to reopen prohibited activities in a phased manner in areas outside Containment Zones. However, night curfew will be imposed throughout the country from 0900pm to 0500am, except for essential activities.
- According to the Guidelines for Phased Re-opening (Unlock 1)¹, for areas outside Containment Zones, all activities will be permitted with strict adherence to National Directives for COVID-19 Management, and the following will be opened in phase manner:
 - Phase I: Starting from 8 June, religious places/places of worship for public, hotels, restaurants, hospitality services, shopping will be allowed to reopen.
 - Phase II: Starting from July, the schools, colleges, educational/training/coaching institutions will be opened after consultation with local governments. Local governors are also advised to conduct consultation with parents and stakeholder before making decision to reopen educational institutes.
 - Phase III: Based on the assessment of the situation, dates for resuming activities, including but not limited to international air travel of passengers, Metro Rail, entertainment and sport facilities, social, political and large congregations, will be decided.
- For Containment Zones, the lockdown will continue in place till 30 June 2020 and only essential activities will be allowed. No movement of people is allowed in or out of these zones, except for emergencies and maintaining essential supply.

IMPACT ON FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN

- For food sector, the food manufacturing activities remain unhampered and restaurants are expected to operate as usual in areas outside of Containment Zones from 8 June 2020.
- In addition, the new issued Guidelines also stipulates that there shall be no restriction on inter-state and intra-state movement of persons and goods. No additional approval/permission will be required for these forms of movements.





INDONESIA

Greater Jakarta next plans on controlling COVID-19.

MEASURES

- The local government of Jakarta has decided to extend the period of Large Scale Social Restrictions (PSBB) and declared the month of June as transition period into 'new normal'. During this period, social and economic activities could be carried out with special protocols, e.g. a maximum of 50% occupancy in offices. On top of that, the Jakarta Provincial Government also plans to conduct a local quarantine of at least 62 Community Units or Rukun Warga (RW) within the 'red zones' to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the Capital City.
- The Government of Bogor is also planning for a transitional PSBB starting from 4 June. During the transition, the Bogor City Government has adjusted the policy to prepare for the implementation of the 'new normal'. It is expected that the city will begin to enter new stages. However, the government has not yet issued the regulation as of the time of this reporting.
- The Depok City Government plans to implement local level social restrictions called Social Restrictions of Alert Villages at the Community Unit or RW level upon the expiration of the PSBB. The government claimed to have identified Community Units that are categorised as red zones. Out of the 19 villages with active confirmation cases equal to or greater than 6, there are 31 Community Units that have been determined as Social Restrictions of Alert Villages. Special protocols will be implemented, including procedures for entry and exit, rapid test/PCR examination, case monitoring, independent isolation sweeping, and other programmes. In addition to the 31 Community Units within the red zone, the government is preparing a transition phase to a new normal but on the condition that there are no more surges in COVID-19 cases. This transition will be implemented from 5 June.





INDONESIA

Protocols readied as government gears up for new normal.

MEASURES

- The Minister of Manpower urges local governors in Indonesia to ask business leaders to implement protocols for the prevention of COVID-19 transmission. It is stipulated in Circular Letter No. M/ 7/AS.02.02/V/2020 on the Business Continuity Plan in Dealing with the COVID-19 Pandemic and the COVID-19 Transmission Prevention Protocol for Companies¹.
- The Ministry of Health has also released protocols detailing how offices and manufacturers should operate to adapt to changes during the new normal. It is stipulated in Minister Regulation No. HK.01/07/Menkes/328/2020² and Circular Letter No. HK.02.01/Menkes/335/2020 on Protocols to prevent and control COVID-19 disease in the workplace, offices, factories and public places³.
- The Home Ministry has also issued protocols for the implementation of the new normal in crowded places, including ordering managers of shopping centers and markets to develop their own protocols to enforce strict physical distancing and encourage cashless transactions.





MALAYSIA

The Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO) in Malaysia continues with more social and economic activities resumed.

MEASURES

- Starting from 1 June, all people who entering Malaysia will need to bear the cost for the mandatory 14-days quarantine. For Malaysian citizens, they will need to pay 50% of the cost while non-citizens and their spouses (permanent resident status) will have to pay 100% of quarantine cost. The quarantine will be implemented with the adherence to the Guidelines Entry and Quarantine Process of Person Under Surveillance (PUS) Arriving from Abroad Starting from June 1, 2020¹.
- On 2 June, the government announced that the new SOPs, including religious programmes, night markets, barbers and hair salons will be finalised by 6 June to allow greater number of social and commercial activities under the CMCO. In addition, the SOP for childcare centres will be updated soon for resuming more childcare centers' operation.
- Starting from 2 June, the interstate travel will be allowed for marriage solemnisation purposes with the adherence of SOPs (social distancing and avoid mass gathering).
- On 4 June, the new Guidelines for reopening schools which only applied to Form Five and Form Six students was released.





MALAYSIA

The government announced the short-term economy recovery plan.



MEASURES

- On 5 June, the Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin announced the RM35 billion stimulus package¹ to recover economy which affected by COVID-19. The short-term economy recovery plan (ERP) titled 'Pelan Jana Semula Ekonomi Negara' (PENJANA) was developed with three main goals, including
 - Empower the people
 - Propel businesses
 - Stimulate the economy
- A total of 40 initiatives under PENJANA, including but not limited to providing supports to workers, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), public through financing schemes, will be conducted in achieving the abovementioned goals.



PHILIPPINES

The new community quarantine classification list was issued for June.

MEASURES

- Starting from 1 June, the community quarantine classification of Provinces, Highly Urbanised Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) will be based on multiple factors including but not limited to epidemic risk level, economic, social and security considerations. The latest list was gazetted through the Resolution No.41¹ and it will be enforced until 15 June 2020.
- In the Resolution No.41, it was noted that the country will only undergo either Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) or General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 15 June 2020. Under MGCQ and GCQ, the food sector remains unhampered.
- On 1 June², the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) introduced SafePass for COVID-19 Prevention and Incident Management platform for all business establishments which helps businesses operate safely in new normal. The government also decided to resume the dine-in service in restaurant and this will subject to the compliance with the issued health protocols. A temporary closure will be ordered if the restaurant is found to be non-compliance with the requirements.



THAILAND

The National Security Council announced the government's plans to completely lift the lockdown of all businesses and activities across the country on 1 July.

MEASURES

- On 1 June, the country entered into the third phase of relaxation. The measures include the following:
 - Curfew has been shortened from 11pm-4am to 11pm-3am. Exception is provided for public transport services and cargo vehicles that depart from their original destination before 11pm. and arrive at the final destination after 3am.
 - Shopping malls, department stores and community malls are allowed to open until 9pm.
 - Exhibition and convention venues are allowed to operate until 9pm but activity space must not exceed 20,000 square metres.
- The reopening of all sectors on 1 July comes after the end of the state of emergency on 30 June. Among the businesses and activities that have yet to resume are pubs, concerts, boxing stadiums and venues that require convergence of large gatherings.
- From 1 July onwards, inter-provincial and international travel will be allowed.





MYANMAR

On 1 June, most companies, shops and restaurants in Yangon, Mandalay and Naypyitaw fully resumed operations.

MEASURES

- Myanmar has gradually eased COVID-19 restrictions after no new reported local transmissions of the disease for two weeks.
- Insein and Mayangone at Yangon are the only townships that are still subjected to community lockdowns.
- The Central Committee on Prevention, Control and Treatment on COVID-19 released health measures to be followed for foreigners travelling into Myanmar where they will have to fulfil a 21-day quarantine - one week home quarantine before flying, another one week in quarantine facility after arriving in Myanmar and the final week of home quarantine in Myanmar, before allowed to start work. They will also have to produce a certificate to confirm that they are free from COVID-19 and have completed one week of home quarantine before flying.
- The suspension on all international airlines to and from Myanmar has been extended until 15 June.

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