General Notice No. 467 of 2021

THE QUARANTINE ACT 2020

Temporary Restrictions of Movement Order (hereinafter referred to as “the Order”) made by the Prime Minister under section 3 of the Quarantine Act 2020

1. WHEREAS by virtue of General Notice No. 465 of 2021, it was ordered, in view of the fact that there was still an epidemic of COVID-19 in Mauritius, that the quarantine period in Mauritius be extended until 31 May 2021.

2. WHEREAS section 3(1)(b) of the Quarantine Act 2020 provides that during a quarantine period, the Prime Minister may, by Order, order that all persons shall remain indoor within such area and during such period, and under such terms and conditions, as he may specify.

3. NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the fact that I am satisfied that it is necessary and expedient for the purposes of preventing the spread of COVID-19 in Mauritius, I hereby order, subject to this notice, that no person, other than in the Island of Rodrigues, the Island of Agaléga and the Chagos Archipelago, shall remain outdoor in Mauritius as from 10 March 2021 at 6 a.m. until 25 March 2021 at 8 p.m.

4. However, paragraph 3 shall not apply to the following persons –
   (a) employees of the public and private sector organisations providing essential services;
   (b) employees of the Disciplined Force;
   (c) a person who has to avail himself of medical treatment or procure medicine or any other item essential for his or his family’s subsistence or livelihood;
   (d) a Judge or Magistrate for the purpose of attending Court (in respect of minimum judicial services as the Chief Justice deems essential), and employees of Courts as may be designated by the Chief Justice;
   (e) a barrister or an attorney whose services have been retained by a person to attend a police station, place of detention or Court;
   (f) a medical practitioner for the purpose of attending a hospital, private medical institution or patient in need of urgent medical care;
   (g) a pharmacist and his employees for the purpose of attending their place of work;
employees of quarantine facilities, petrol service stations, port and airport and related businesses, cleaning and scavenging services and security services.

5. Nothing shall exempt any employer from his statutory obligations pertaining to the safety and health of his employees under any enactment which may be applicable.

6. This Order is being issued in the interest of public health and to protect the population. Members of the public are urged to be self-disciplined and to cooperate with the authorities and not to remain outdoor.

7. Any person who is found outdoor in breach of this Order shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 500,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years.

8. This Order shall lapse on 25 March 2021 at 8 p.m.

P. K. JUGNAUTH
Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

9 March 2021