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<u>The Government Re-Regulates the Enforcement of Limitation on</u> <u>Community Activities to Control the Covid-19 Pandemic</u>

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The Coordinating Minister for Economic Affairs who is also the Chair of the Committee for Covid-19 Handling and National Economic Recovery (*Penanganan Covid-19 dan Pemulihan Ekonomi Nasional* or PC-PEN), Airlangga Hartarto delivered a Press Statement regarding the Results of the Limited Meeting at the Presidential Office on January 6, 2021, especially regarding the government's latest policies regarding efforts to control Covid-19 through the re-regulation of limitations on community activities. Also attending the press release, Minister of Health Budi Gunadi Sadikin, who added with an explanation regarding the plan to implement the Covid-19 vaccination.

Coordinating Minister Airlangga explained, "Observing the development of the Covid-19 pandemic that has occurred in the world recently, in which several states have tightened people's mobility, and with the existence of a new variant of the Covid-19 virus which is more quickly transmitted, the Government needs to take measures to control the Covid-19 pandemic in Indonesia". As already known, previously the Government issued a policy regulating the travel of foreigners/foreign citizens to Indonesia, by temporarily banning the entry of foreign citizens from January 1 to 14, 2021.

The government's consideration in taking this step is also to maintain a balance between the economic and health aspects. Along with the improvement of several economic indicators (PMI Index, IHSG, Exchange Rate etc.), it is necessary to continue increasing efforts to maintain public health, by controlling the spread of the Covid-19 virus in a measured manner. "In addition to maintaining the momentum to promote economic recovery, there must efforts to control the spread of Covid-19 in parallel."

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Coordinating Minister Airlangga also explained that currently, the Government is preparing for the implementation of Vaccinations which are scheduled to commence before mid-January 2021, after obtaining EUA (Emergency Used Authorization) from BPOM, and fulfilling the halal aspects from the MUI. As is the case with policies in 39 states that have carried out vaccination, it is necessary to control the increase of Covid-19 cases by reinforcement of limitation on various community activities.

The government finally decided to re-regulate limitations on community activities, especially activities that have the potential to cause transmission and spread of the Covid-19 virus. The re-regulation of limitation includes, among others:

- 1. limiting the workplace/office by implementing Work From Home (WFH) by 75% (seventy five) percent, with more stringent enforcement of health protocols;
- 2. conducting online teaching and learning activities;
- Essential Sectors related to the basic needs of the community may operate 100% (one hundred percent), by applying operational hours and capacities, and more stringent implementation of health protocols;
- 4. regulating the enforcement of limitations of:
 - restaurant activities (dine-in) by 25% (twenty five percent) and for food services via delivery/take-out are still permitted in accordance with restaurant operating hours; and
 - restrictions on operating hours for shopping centers/malls until 19.00 WIB;
- 5. allowing construction activities to operate 100% (one hundred percent) with more stringent implementation of health protocols;
- activities in places of worship can still be carried out, with a capacity limitation of 50% (fifty percent) and more stringent implementation of health protocols;
- 7. activities in public facilities and socio-cultural activities shall be suspended; and
- 8. arrangement for capacity and operational hours for public transportation.

The scope of the re-regulation of limitations of these activities shall be implemented in Provinces/Regencies/Cities which fulfill one of the following parameters:

- 1. The Mortality Rate is above the national average mortality rate
- 2. The Recovery Rate is below the national average recovery rate
- 3. The Active Case Rate is above the average national active case rate
- 4. The Bed Occupancy Rate (BOR) for ICU and Isolation is above 70%.

The implementation of the re-regulation of these limitations at the initial stage will be prioritized in all Provinces in Java and Bali, with the consideration that all the relevant

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Provinces fulfill one of the elements of the 4 established parameters, and also considering that most of the increase in Covid-19 cases occurred in those 7 Provinces.

The implementation of the limitation will be conducted in the Capitals of the seven Provinces concerned, and in Regencies/Cities surrounding/bordering the high-risk Provincial Capitals. (1) DKI Jakarta: All territory of DKI Jakarta; (2) West Java: with priority territories of Bogor Regency, Bekasi Regency, Cimahi Regency, Bogor City, Depok City, Bekasi City, and Bandung Region Teritorry; (3) Banten: with priority territories of Tangerang Regency, Tangerang City and South Tangerang City; (4) Central Java: with priority territories of Semarang Raya, Banyumas Raya and Surakarta City and their surroundings; (5) DI Yogyakarta: with priority territories of Yogyakarta City, Bantul Regency, Gunung Kidul Regency, Sleman Regency and Kulonprogo Regency; (6) East Java: with priority territories of Surabaya City, Sidoarjo Regency. The governors may determine other Regencies/Cities in their territory, by considering the four parameters and other considerations to strengthen the efforts to control Covid-19.

The policy on the re-regulation of the limitation on community activities will be further regulated through amendments to the Head of Region Regulations, and the Minister of Home Affairs will immediately issue an Instruction of the Minister of Home Affairs which regulates the enforcement of limitation on activities to control the spread of Covid-19, and request the Head of Region (if necessary) to make a Head of Region Regulation (*Peraturan Kepala Daerah* or Perkada) that specifically regulates the enforcement of such limitations to the regulation on the implementation of sanctions.

The enforcement of limitations on community activities shall take effect from January 11, 2021 to January 25, 2021 and will be evaluated and monitored daily. To oversee the implementation of this limitation policy, the Government will tighten supervision in the implementation of health protocols, by increasing the implementation of *Operasi Yustisi* which will be carried out by the Civil Service Police Unit (*Satuan Polisi Pamong Praja* or Satpol-PP), the Police, and involving elements of the TNI.

"The government will continue to monitor the implementation of the reinforcement of limitations on community activities, by conducting intensive evaluation and monitoring. In its implementation, the Government will strengthen the implementation of *Operasi Yustisi*, to increase public discipline in implementing health protocols, and encourage changes in community behavior in preventing Covid-19," Coordinating Minister Airlangga concluded.

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