



PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC ZONE AUTHORITY

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FOR : ECONOMIC ZONE DEVELOPER OPERATORS/
LOCATOR COMPANIES/ZONE ADMINISTRATORS (ZAs)/
DEPUTY ZONE ADMINISTRATORS (DZAs)/ZONE MANAGERS
(ZAs)/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE (OICs)

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SUBJECT : Disinfection and Sanitation within PEZA ecozones

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As we approach the deadline set for the expiration of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) due to COVID-19, it is imperative that we remain wary of the capacity of the virus to rebound and inflict more disruption and suffering. As such, a multi-pronged approach is necessary to flatten the curve or reduce covid-19 cases and avoid recurrence of the virus.

In addition to slew of solutions to stop its spread, the World Health Organization (WHO) also provided guidelines for indoor disinfection and sanitation particularly of the workplace and production areas. However, following the best practices in China, Indonesia, Thailand, Brazil, France and other countries in the world that conducted massive disinfection, the Philippines through the local government units (LGUs) has done outdoor disinfection in the barangays, public markets and churches, even for passing vehicles along major thoroughfares, and through provision of disinfectant cubicles at the public building's main entrances.

PEZA has likewise done its share of disinfecting the public ecozones, pursuant to its circulars for the ecozones to conduct disinfection and sanitation as a protection measure vs COVID, as provided in PEZA MC No. 2020-0016 dated 23 March 2020; MC No. 2020-0018 dated 27 March 2020; and MC No. 2020-0020 dated 30 March 2020.

In this connection, we urge all PEZA Ecozone Developers/Operators and locator companies to do the following:

1. Ecozone developers/operators - to regularly disinfect the economic zone's premises such as the common areas, roads, bridges, sidewalks, ancillary facilities and utilities infrastructures such as waste treatment facilities, substations, power and water generation facilities, including parks, greens and buffer zones. Disinfectant chambers through installation of gantry facilities within the main gate of the zones may also be provided to ensure spraying of incoming trucks/vehicles.
2. Registered enterprises - to regularly disinfect their premises especially the workplace and production areas where majority of the workers are located. This is in addition to wearing of masks and other protective gears, provision of alcohol and sanitizers in strategic areas in the workplace, and strict observance of social distancing. Disinfectant chambers or sanitents within the main entrance of the locator's building/factory may also be provided for the incoming workers and guests.

It is best to implement the disinfection and sanitation while ECQ is in place and in preparation for the resumption of regular operations with the lifting of ECQ. Our common objective is to insulate the ecozones from covid. Thus, we implore on our valued ecozone developers and locators to help in containing the virus and prevent its spread/recurrence on a per ecozone basis— without having to rely from the government for the protection of the zones, the workers, and the transacting public.

All ZAs/DZAs/ZMs/OICs shall assist the developer/operators and locator companies within their Area of Responsibility (AOR) in the successful implementation of the above measures as well as other guidelines as provided in our previous circulars and Inter-Agency Task Force on Covid-19 (IATF) advisories.

Thank you very much for your support and cooperation.