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## Guidelines on accommodation for employees in industries

Due to the COVID-19 situation prevailing in the country special precautions have to be taken in order to safeguard the health and wellbeing of employees.

In this context, the "Guidelines to be followed in getting down employees to work from their places of stay" issued by the Ministry of Health in letter no: DDG/E&OH/EH/20/2020 dated 11/11/2020, is revised as follows.

Accordingly, the following changes have been made;

- 1. Employees in lockdown areas should not be allowed to work until the lockdown is lifted
- 2. The management should ensure that the following categories of employees in non lockdown areas should not be allowed to work
  - Employees with COVID-19 undergoing treatment
  - Employees identified as close contacts (1<sup>st</sup> line contacts)undergoing quarantine
  - Employees residing in quarantine mandated houses with a member identified as a close contact (1<sup>st</sup> line contact) undergoing quarantine, even if the employee concerned is not a close contact (1<sup>st</sup> line contact).

They can return to work after the successful completion of treatment or quarantine as per the current treatment and quarantine protocols.

Further, it is strongly recommended to provide dedicated boarding houses for employees in enterprises, considering the risk of COVID-19 transmission when residing in shared boarding houses.

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