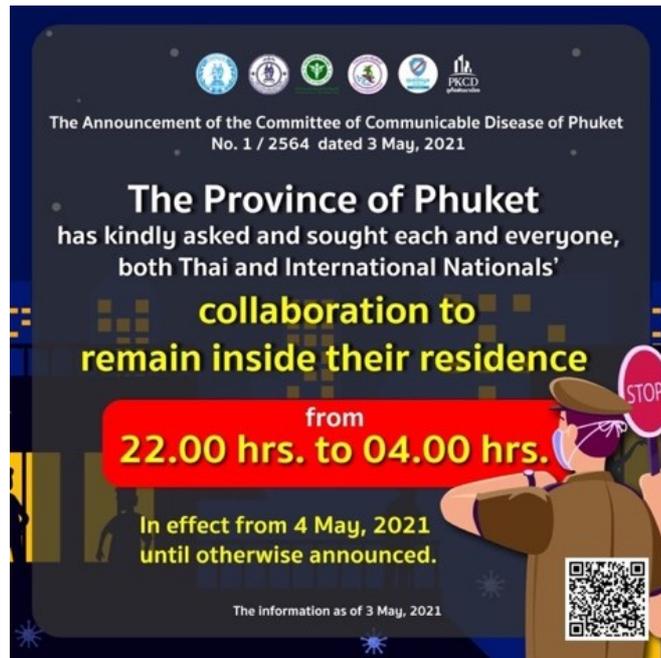Dear friends and colleagues,

We have been gathering information and updates from Phuket Governor and would like to report the following issues and topics. We now all see how fluid the situation is and hope that this latest wave of infections on Phuket can be controlled, and that it doesn't affect the July 1st date.

1. Yesterday Phuket Governor announced the latest measurement, most of restrictions stay the same and to include the following:
    - Entering at Thachatchai check point is brohibited form 11 pm to 5 am except necessary item of food/drugs transportation, Emergency vehicles.
    - Covid Test up on entry to Phuket is required for traveller from the following 25 provinces which is including Phuket resident who return back to Phuket from any other provices (Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Chonburi, Samutprakarn, Prachuap Khiri Khan, Pathum Thani, Samut Prakan, Nakhon Pathom, Nakhon Ratchasima, Nonthaburi, Tak, Udon Thani, Suphanburi, Sa Kaeo, Rayong, Khon Kaen, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Songkha, Narathiwat, Surat Thani, Trang, Krabi, Ranong and Phattalung.
    - The restrictions are effective until 15 May 2021
    - See official publisching and infographic at:
      https://www.facebook.com/prphuket2018/posts/786131998752148

2. There was a two-hour live broadcast from Official covid-19 information Centre Phuket, Wednesday, 05 May 2021, the highlight of the discussions were:
    - Phuket Sand Box timeline by Mr.Bhummikitti Ruktaengam – The President of Phuket Tourism Association (PTA)
      o According to PTA President, at this moment in time, the suggested timeline of Phuket Sandbox still remains July 1st as approved by Thai Government.
      o Due to the 3rd wave of covid-19, the distribution of the vaccine to Phuket has slowed down as the Government has prioritise distribution of vaccine to the critical areas in other provinces in Thailand. To maintain the timeline of July 1st for the Sandbox, Phuket province has proposed that the local Government pay for the vaccination for Phuket people (The fund shall be subsidised from Local Government Authority)

    - Vaccination by Mr. Pracha Asawathira PhD, an academic with the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society
      o Currently, there are approximately 110k new vaccination registrations and the priority of 100K doses (which is ordered) will go to these people who are willing and ready to take the vaccine. Phuket tentatively plan to open for the registration at Phuket Must Win' web portal (www.ภูเก็ตต้องชนะ.com)
        ▪ Today, 7 May 2021 to Thai nationality who is over 60
        ▪ Tuesday, 11 May 2021 to expat worker (Work Permit holders)
      o The vaccination registration works on a queue number
      o Expats must not register by themselves. They must use their HR Manager to register for them. Please share the link below to your HR staff to see how the registration works: https://www.facebook.com/phuketanticovid19/videos/471636574147905

3. TAT summary updates: New Covid-19 restrictions in Thailand from 1 May 2021

4. [Night-time restriction currently imposed in 29 provinces across Thailand](#)
    Sa Kaeo is the latest province to urge residents to stay home as much as possible during
    24.00 – 04.00 Hrs.

5. Official Announcement of Bangkok Hospital Phuket

6. Delivery service safety recommendation by Public Health

7. CAAT measurement

CAAT Tightens Measures against COVID-19 for Air Travel
Issued on 1 May 2021

01 CAAT is seeking cooperation from airlines to consider restricting their services between 23.00 hr. and 04.00 hr. The restriction aims to reduce possible impacts on passengers traveling between airports and their accommodations.

02 In case of flight changes, flight cancelations, and flight consolidation, airlines should inform passengers and take care of them appropriately, in accordance with the announcement made by the Ministry of Transport.

03 1. Passengers are required to wear face masks.
2. Body temperature must be measured with the use of an infrared thermometer.
3. Any person who does not wear a mask, or has a temperature higher than 37.3 degrees Celsius, will be prohibited from entering the airport area.

04 Passengers will undergo a temperature check again before leaving the airport. If a passenger has a temperature higher than 37.3 degrees Celsius or has respiratory symptoms, airport officials must immediately inform local health officials.

05 Airlines should arrange seats in the aircraft appropriately in line with the number of passengers on each flight, taking into consideration measures on social distancing to avoid congestion and prevent spreading the disease.

06 Confirmed patients or high-risk persons must refrain from travelling. Violators may be subjected to punishments under the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015).

Stay well and remain positive,

Best regards,
Phuket Hotels Association Team

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