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### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

This is to notify the general public that the recent detection of the JN.1 variant of COVID - 19 has been confirmed in the country as announced during the press released on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2024. In view of this development, it is imperative that we take preventative measures by reinforcing public health protocols particularly in the context of the mass gatherings.

While we understand the culture and social significance of these gatherings, however we cannot ignore the potential of health risk they pose to the public. Large gathering centres an environment where the spreads of infectious diseases, including COVID-19 becomes a heightened concern.

In light of this, we recommend the following actions to safeguard the health of our community, particularly those who are most vulnerable:

- i. Wear face mask during mass gatherings
- ii. Installation of hand washing stations at strategic locations within the event venue
- iii. Frequent hand washing with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub
- iv. Staying home if Sick
- v. Seek health advice and care if one is experiencing severe symptoms

Issued for strict compliance

  
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Copy to:

1. Lam Neten, Mongar Dratsang, for compliance
2. Dasho Drangpon, Royal Court of Justice, Mongar for information and compliance
3. Dasho SP, Royal Bhutan Police , Mongar, requesting to support in monitoring health Protocols
4. Dzongkhag Tshodu Thrizin, for compliance and to disseminate to all Gewogs
5. Sector and Regional heads for compliance
6. Thromdey Thuemey, to inform to the business community for compliance
7. Desung Gojay, to support in monitoring health protocols
8. Office file

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