

Dear all.

Subject: Health advisory on Novel Corona virus 2019 (2019-nCov)

- 1. The staff and students safety, health & wellbeing is of utmost concern of AIMST University.
- 2. We have been diligently keeping a watchful eye on the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCov) outbreak which is believed to started from Wuhan, China. We are taking all possible measures in line with the guidelines issued by the Malaysian Health & Education authorities.
- 3. According to the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the 2019-nCov can be transmitted between humans in droplets from coughing and sneezing and touching or shaking hands. Symptoms may appear in as few as 2 days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus. Patients with a confirmed 2019-nCoV infection have reportedly exhibited mild-to-severe-symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath and headaches. As such, it is highly recommended that prevention methods are observed at all times. According to the World Health Organisation (WHO), this includes:
 - * Frequently washing your hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizers.
 - * Covering your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with tissue, sleeve or elbow, and properly disposing of tissues after use.
 - * Avoiding close contact with anyone with cold, fever or flu-like symptoms.
 - * Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
 - * Wearing a face mask to limit transmission risks.
- 4. Moreover, AIMST University is providing hand sanitizers, sterilizing kits, masks and thermometers to aid these precautions measures. We have briefed our administrative and academic staff on the virus and the measures to be taken.
- 5. We have affixed the precautionary measures at a few targeted places around the campus to ensure the campus environment is safe and healthy. In this regard:
 - * All staff and students who are unwell or exhibit the symptoms highlighted above are required to seek medical attention immediately.

 All students, who travelled in China recently, upon arrival in Malaysia from China, are required to notify the AIMST Clinic immediately.
 - * AIMST Clinic is on standby to assist and provide support to all students and staff.

Our students' learning is of importance and those who are unable to come to the campus to attend formal classes due to the isolation period or any travel restrictions (as applicable), will be given the appropriate support to ensure that their studies will not be adversely affected. Arrangements are being made by the Registry, in coordination with the respective, facilities, schools and departments.

- 7. Once again, please do not hesitate to contact our key personnel if there are any further inquiries:
 - i) Health and Safety Matters @ AIMST Health Clinic

a) Office - 04 429 8000 Ext: 5023/ 5024

b) Dr. Sawri Rajan - 019 4495406

ii) International Students @ International Office

a) Office - 04 429 8000 Ext: 1259/1258

b) Ms. Sharma - 012 663 6501 c) Mr. Dinesh - 016 515 3979

iii) Student Related Matters @ Student Affairs Division

a) Office - 04 429 8426/04 429 8174

b) Deputy Vice-Chancellor - 019 444 5953 c) Chief Operating Office - 013 362 6381 d) Mr. Rajasegar, Head - 017 371 1468 e) Ms. Lalitha, Warden - 018 956 4072 f) Hotline - 011 5962 2132

8. We would like to express our gratitude for your understanding, cooperation and support in aiding us to carry out the best measures possible to overcome this circumstance. We will keep you updated on any further developments pertaining to this influenza. We will also review the precautionary measures from time to time.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Emeritus Prof. Dr. Harcharan Singh Sidhu Vice-Chancellor & Chief Executive AIMST University