



# **COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES IN DHOFAR UNIVERSITY**

## ***1. Preliminary Measures***

- Vaccination Certificate required by everyone to enter the DU campus
- Every person's temperature is checked at all building entrances through auto-temperature check machines. Additionally, the number of entry/exits are limited to ensure that everyone's temperature is checked.
- COVID-19 related safety signage & awareness posters/banners have been placed at various locations in DU
- Masks and hand sanitizers are available at all the designated entrance areas and they are accessible by everyone.
- Automatic hand sanitizers have been installed in strategic locations throughout the campus and they are checked and filled regularly
- Encouraging the staff and students to avoid using the lift and use the stairs instead
- 50% capacity in all the events conducted inside the campus
- Cleaning & sanitization of all offices & common areas are done periodically by the cleaning company.

## ***2. Classroom Arrangement***

- As per the latest directives of Ministry of Higher Education, there should be a minimum of 1.0m distance between the seats in a classroom. Accordingly, the classrooms / Lecture Halls have been arranged and the new capacity with social distancing of all classes had been determined.

### ***3. Emergency Plan for COVID-19***

- A protocol was established to deal with suspected or positive COVID-19 cases for staff as well as students inside the campus.
- Male & Female Isolation Rooms were identified and prepared accordingly to house suspected cases of COVID-19 temporarily

### ***4. Awareness Programs for COVID-19***

- As per the Ministry of Higher Education COVID-19 protocols, all educational institutions are to coordinate with the government health institutes for doing the needed training on health and safety measures. Accordingly, representatives from the Ministry of Health were invited to conduct COVID-19 related training programs for the DU staff.
- Safety induction programs were given by HSE assistant to the DU security staff and service contractors (AC, landscape, cleaning) for adhering to COVID-19 guidelines.
- A video & several announcements highlighting the COVID-19 safety protocols were prepared by the DU Public Relations department and posted on social media to create awareness among the students.
- An online meeting was conducted by the DVC and the HSE Assistant through the DU Center for Teaching & Learning for the faculties to convey awareness about the COVID-19 safety protocols.

### ***5. Transportation Facilities***

- All the DU buses carrying the students have been equipped with hand sanitizers & masks
- The buses are always operating at 50% capacity and relevant stickers have been provided to maintain social distancing.