

GIZ Construction Unit - CONSTRUCTION SITE PROTOCOL COVID-19 EMERGENCY

Given the COVID-19 containment measures and associated restrictions imposed by the Government of Iraq, GIZ considers important to define guidelines in order to carry on the construction works safely. The objective of this protocol is to provide operational instructions to mitigate the risks associated with the spread of COVID-19 during the Construction works. COVID-19 represents, in fact, a biological risk for which equal measures must be taken for the whole population.

Users interested by the protocol	Contractors, suppliers, self-employed and daily workers, technicians and third parties authorized to access the site. <i>These measures extend to GIZ Staff and to all the workers present in the same site.</i>
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MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEASURES	
Information dissemination	Contractors and suppliers: - Contractors and suppliers must carry out information sessions and training activities prior to the inception of the works for all their workers on the risks associated with COVID-19 and the related safety and preventive procedures and measures to be implemented. The training to be conducted in an open, preferably shaded, space, respecting the social distance of min 2 meter. - GIZ can provide the Contractor WHO guidelines in case needed (all the guidance can be found online). - Self-employed and daily workers, technicians and suppliers acknowledge and abide by the provisions of this protocol and detailed instructions of the contracting companies. GIZ Field Staff: - GIZ staff is in charge of carrying out information training activities before the start of the work for all the beneficiaries of the project on the risks associated with COVID-19 and the related safety and prevention measures to observe during the execution of the works. The training to be conducted in an open, preferably shaded, space, respecting the social distance of min 2 meter. In addition to promoting hygiene behavior to prevent the spread of the virus, the training sessions should ensure the following: 1. The type and duration of the Construction works planned is respected; 2. Spaces are cleaned of bulky items before the arrival of the workers at the construction site; 3. The request to leave the rooms where the works are carried out, preferably to stay in a protected and ventilated external place during all the Construction operations. 4. In the event that the beneficiaries are unable to leave the rooms affected by the work due to reduced physical mobility, a safety distance is ensured between workers and beneficiaries of at least 2 meters is constantly respected. 5. While there are currently difficulties in purchasing certified facial masks because of market shortage, their usage is recommended. In absence of masks,

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	usage of cotton masks or any other mean to cover the nose and the mouth is required (scarfs). 6. A responsible is designated for cleaning the house, in particular surfaces and toilets at the beginning and end of each working day.
Protective measures	Contractors and suppliers: - In the event that for "limited and strictly necessary" cases, where close distance is inevitable between two operators, the operators must wear a mask that is suitable to the nature of the works. - Workers should wear protective gloves suitable to the nature of the works (and not medical latex gloves) while on the working site. (medical latex gloves can be worn underneath protective gloves) - Workers should have access to hand-sanitizers and/or a hand-washing point with soap and disposable tissue at all times and should frequently use them. - Distance between individuals should be at minimum of 2 meters. No more than 3 workers in a closed space at a time. GIZ Field Staff: - GIZ staff must respect and supervise that the above-mentioned instructions are observed by all. GIZ staff must wear as well a protective mask (in absence s/he must ensure to cover nose and mouth with a scarf), frequently wash hands and respect the safety distances).
Access control measures	Contractors and suppliers: - Manage the working shifts in order to avoid contacts or gatherings while accessing/exiting the worksite. - All personnel who will have to access the construction site (workers, technicians, self-employed workers, suppliers, etc.) must provide a daily verbal self-certification/Vaccination card or Negative PCR test that they are in the physical conditions to carry on the work, especially: free of fever and in any case below 37.5 ° C, absence of flu-like symptoms, absence of contacts in the last 14 days with subjects tested positive for COVID-19 or coming from risk areas according to WHO and GoI indications. This self-certification should be made orally to GIZ whenever GIZ is requesting it. No documentation will be requested from GIZ.
Management of common spaces	Contractors and suppliers: <u>WC-toilet</u> - There is at least 1 toilet dedicated to the workers inside the workplace. - In case there is NO toilet available for the exclusive use of the workers, <u>after each use</u>, each worker/user must guarantee the cleaning of all the surfaces touched with detergents and/or disinfectants.

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	- Ensure the presence of cleaning detergent in the bathroom. - Ensure ventilation of the premises. <u>Changing room</u> - The workers must enter the construction site having already worn their work clothes. <u>Consumption of meals</u> - For the consumption of meals, the possibility of using an open air area must be considered. - If the weather conditions do not allow the aforementioned consumption of meals outside the shelter, workers must ensure that they are in well-ventilated areas and maintain a safety distance of at least 2 meters, considering that during the movement of a person, inadvertently, can exceed the imposed limit of 1 meter. The use of these areas must be limited to what is strictly necessary and in any case the safety distance between people must always be ensured. GIZ Field Staff: GIZ staff is responsible to inform the beneficiaries about the risks related to the shared use of spaces and in particular of toilets. Furthermore, GIZ is responsible to identify a person in charge of cleaning the surfaces and toilets and to provide tools to safely preform the cleaning.
Management of common equipment	- Contractors will have to limit the exchange of tools and equipment between their workers.
Other organizational measures	Contractors and suppliers: - Signs will be placed inside the construction site in relation to the "COVID-19" health emergency in a strategic position on the construction site. - A person in charge of the daily verification of the good hygiene conditions of the construction site and of all the related services (bathrooms, detergent dispensers, service rooms etc.) must be formally designated by the Contractor for the purpose of verifying the obligations imposed.
External coordination and cooperation measures	-Visitors access must be subject to prior authorization and must be equipped with the necessary PPE against any contagion.

DECLARATION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE

I, the undersigned Mr.....Owner of the Company

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HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

I have read and understood the terms and condition related to the implementation of preventive measure to contain the spread of virus in the construction site to act in the proceedings of its **Acknowledge and Acceptance**.

Date:..... Signature:.....