

## **An Update On Corona Virus Curfew And Lockdown from Br. Seabastian.**

Let me start this information hoping and wishing that you are keeping fine and away from corona virus. Indian Government has imposed curfew and lockdown in all states up to 14 th of April. We see very few people on the road and police are deployed everywhere to ensure the implementation of curfew. The TV news is full of fear mongering and corona is also spreading. Infection numbers and death numbers are increasing day by day and quarantine number are also increasing. It is an emergency situation in our state; emergency where people are not allowed to come out of their houses except to buy vegetables, groceries and medicines. Shops of these provisions are the only open ones that too few hours in the morning and all other shops are closed. No public transportation is functioning. Police is deployed in all places and they arrest and take the people if they come out unnecessarily. If people are identified with symptoms of corona virus they are immediately quarantined and also authorities are behind all those people who came in contact with this person and they are also quarantined. With regard to the time frame we are not very sure how long it will last but as of today the government curfew is declared up to 14 th of April.

At SJDT we manage our children home. The campus watchman is advised not to let anyone inside. Vegetable, grocery and medical shop are the only shops opened that too fixed hours in the morning. Though the government talks of no scarcity the reality is scarcity of essential items are a fact. We try to fulfil the basic needs of the children without much difficulty as we know the shop keepers well.

Children of course find it very strange and difficult to understand this situation. Days without annual exam, no dates are fixed for the reopening of An Update On Corona Virus Curfew And Lockdown the schools, no travel outside the campus etc. However we try to organize different programs such as TV watching, games, sports, book reading, drawing, etc. We made a small survey on how children feel in the event of this situation. We have selected two senior girls and 2 junior girls; I enclose their responses to our questions. I also responded to some questions. As you know what the child feels is very important for us in any given event. We very much pray and hope none of us and children get affected

by this dangerous killer infection. If one gets affected all the others will get it as it is very difficult to keep them separated. We make them to sit in boxes but however if I turn the other side for a moment immediately they all gather together. We also would like to express our sincere desire and wish that each and every one of you and all our sponsors and supporters to stay safe from this deadly virus. Please keep good social distance. Once again wishing you all the best.

Yours Fraternaly in Christ

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