THE EFFECT OF COVID-19 TRANSPORT REGULATIONS ON COMMUTERS

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ABSTRACT

The Covid-19 pandemic has drastically changed lives. In a limited period, the government has adapted to the challenge of safeguarding human life by publishing regulations under the Disaster Management Act of 2002. The regulations limit contact between citizens while continuing to ensure that the provision of basic goods and services are provided. Public transport is at the forefront of daily human interaction and directions focusing on hygiene control and disinfection, loading capacity restrictions and limited operating hours of vehicles and facilities are applied at varying degrees during different lockdown levels. The presentation is a high-level view of the implications of these regulations on commuters: the members of society who ensure basic goods and services are provided and who have no other option but to make use of public transport to provide for their families.