INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS ARISING FROM THE CORONA VIRUS

The Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) notes with great concern the global outbreak of the Corona virus, and the fact that the World Health Organisation has declared it a pandemic. Ghana is among the affected countries with confirmed cases.

GIMPA has also noted that our neighbour and sister institution where a number of GIMPA students are resident, has reported its first confirmed case of infection.

Taking cognisance of the Presidential edict of 15th March, in light of these developments, and in furtherance of the Institute’s commitment to safeguard the health and safety of its staff and students, the following measures are hereby implemented and take immediate effect:

1. Face-to-face lectures, conferences, international programs, and other academic activities, on all GIMPA campuses, are suspended.
2. All pending mid-semester examinations are hereby suspended.
3. All social gatherings within the GIMPA community are suspended.
4. All international travel is put on hold.

All the above are until further directives by Management.

Whilst face-to-face lectures have been suspended, lectures and academic activities shall however continue online. Students are to use the next 4 weeks as vacation time and also to prepare for this by obtaining electronic devices such as laptops, tablets, and smart cellular phones, as well as access to the internet or mobile data. Students will be informed by their respective Deans and Heads of Department how to train and prepare for online lectures.

A skeletal Staff presence shall be maintained on campus. Deans, Directors, and Heads of Department will report on a daily basis. Essential staff like Security and Health will report on a daily basis. The presence of Administrative staff, including School and Office holders, shall be determined by the Deans and Directors of each School and Directorate.

The Institute has put in place public health protocols on campus. Students and staff may refer to guidelines issued from the GIMPA Clinic on details of personal hygiene and protocols of prevention, self-isolation, and quarantine, from the GIMPA website.

Students are to note that the Registration cycle has been extended to 9th April 2020. Students who are not in good standing should use this opportunity to complete their fee payments and register. A late penalty will be applied after 9th April.

GIMPA wishes to reiterate its commitment to ensuring the safety of all stakeholders. GIMPA will continue to monitor the health situation closely, drawing on national policies on virus containment, and shall keep all stakeholders updated.

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