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**Announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology North Bangkok  
Temporary University Closure due to the Corona Virus Pandemic**

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Following the prior announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology North Bangkok (KMUTNB) regarding staff working conditions during the period of Infection Prevention and Control of Corona virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), dated 18 March 2020 to determine the policies and operational guidelines of KMUTNB staff in accordance with the measures announced by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, later on the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration has issued its Announcement (dated March 21, 2020) stating a further set of restrictions mandating temporary closure of various venues in Bangkok (No. 2). The Article 15 specifies that educational institutions of all levels be closed to reduce the rapid spread of the COVID-19 virus among high-risk locations.

To ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the University operations, and by virtue of Section 31(3) of the King Mongkut's University of Technology North Bangkok University Act B.E. 2550, the University therefore issues the following announcement:

1. The University is temporarily closed from March 22, 2020 to April 12, 2020 due to coronavirus concerns.
2. Face-to-face education, classes and activities in the University areas are cancelled. In accordance with the University Act dated March 18, 2020, regarding the guidance for instructional delivery management during the surveillance period for the spread of infections, remaining classes are strictly required to resume in an alternative online format to help prevent the spread of this respiratory disease.
3. Students and staff are asked to avoid leaving their accommodation, non-essential meeting and non-essential gatherings. Students, faculty and staff are advised to follow the latest news and updates from the University on the coronavirus outbreak.

4. In the event of course assessments during the period specified in this Announcement, exams with large gatherings and in-person contacts must be transitioned to alternate methods such as electronic submissions, online assignments, take-home tests or alternative modes of regular assessment.
5. Personnel members are offered a work-from-home policy during the period stipulated in Article 1. The supervisor in charge including Vice Presidents, Directors, Managers are entitled to assign responsibilities as appropriate to the circumstances and take appropriate action. Members of management are responsible for supervision, monitoring and performance evaluation of their team. The personnel should be instructed to be ready at all times.
6. In case of urgent necessity or inevitability to prevent disrupted work from home-based teleworking, supervisors have the authority to organize meetings by electronic means at any time. Supervisors or managers in charge are also entitled to assign their staff to perform work, or to travel to and from work to operate essential activities.
7. Vice Presidents, Supervising Directors, and the authority that oversee operations may impose instructions compliant with this Announcement to be carried out with adherence to guidelines.
8. In case any problems arise by the implementation of this Announcement, Vice President in charge is authorized to the exercise of discretionary powers, and then report to the President.
9. This announcement supersedes any other previous announcement opposed to this one.

This announcement is effective March 22, 2020 and will continue through April 12, 2020 or until further notice.

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