

EFFORTS CONDUCTED UNDER GENERAL DIRECTORATE OF PRISONS AND DETENTION HOUSES

No	Date	Measurements
1	2/03/2020	With the general circular dated 02/03/2020, under the efforts conducted with Ministry of Health, General Directorate of Public Health, Department of Infectious Diseases, the prepared “2019-nCoV Disease Healthcare Professionals Guide” as a result of the Scientific Board Meeting is submitted to prisons and Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices.
2	06/03/2020	On 06/03/2020 instructions were given to communicate promptly through some technologic communication instruments with the Chief Public Prosecutors and directors of the prisons.
3	09/03/2020	With the general circular dated 09/03/2020, the articles/letters were submitted to all Chief Public Prosecutor’s Offices on the purpose of push notification for the General Directorate for the statements of the convicts and detainees who are suspected of being coronavirus in the prisons orto follow up determinations found by prisons and to take measures.
4	11/03/2020	With the general circular dated 11/03/2020 in order to raise awareness of the prisons, probation services and staff training centers, necessary instructions have been given for hanging brochures and posters organized by the Ministry of Health at appropriate places in the institutions.

5	11/03/2020	With the circular dated 11/03/2020, the necessary letters are exchanged to the Ministry of Health, General Directorate of Health Services that during the delivery of convicts and detainees taken to the prisons first time by law enforcement, the evaluation should be carried out in terms of coronavirus vitally in the reports taken by hospital and the convicts and detainees suspected in terms of coronavirus should not be sent to prisons before the observation and treatment of the hospital is completed.
6	12/03/2020	To the Ministry of Interior with a general circular dated 12/03/2020, letters have been sent on referring the concerned convict/detainees to the health institution, during the first admission of convicts and detainees brought to the prisons by the Police and Gendarmerie personnel, in the case that international connection within 14 days is detected by making the necessary research on whether convicts and detainees have international connections before they are brought to prisons and on the time of last entry and exit to the country and on which country they are located.
7	12/03/2020	With the general circular dated 12/03/2020, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices were informed referring to the letters written in the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Internal Affairs, and additional letters were sent in order to pay particular attention to the issues specified in the reports issued in the hospitals under the first admissions of convicts and detainees.
8	12/03/2020	With the general circular dated 12/03/2020, in order to ensure that the necessary measures are taken at the highest level in prisons, probation services and staff training centers, the general circulars have been sent for disinfection of all vehicles in prisons, common areas, communal vehicles, visitor areas,

		individual and group work rooms in probation directorates , classrooms, seminar rooms and offices, for giving bleacher and liquid soap to all wards and hand sanitizers in suitable areas in the visiting areas.
9	12/03/2020	With the general circular dated 12/03/2020, it was decided to postpone all in-house and external seminars and group works to be made by the Probation Services until 4 May 2020 and notified to all the presidencies.
10	12/03/2020	With the general circular dated 12/03/2020, it was instructed that the convicts and detainees who entered the prisons for the first time should be placed to the wards after being housed in an isolated environment for 14 days to prevent contact with other convicts and detainees.
11	13/03/2020	With the general circular dated 13/03/2020, necessary correspondences were made in terms of the provision of thermal cameras, fever meters, disinfection materials, gloves and masks to the institutions in order to prevent the infectiousness of the coronavirus in prisons.
12	13/03/2020	With the general circular dated 13/03/2020, the instruction is given to wear masks and to comply with the rules regarding hygiene for the staff working in prisons and other board staff and lawyers who should enter in obligatory cases.
13	13/03/2020	Subsistence allowances in prisons to be applied as of 13/03/2020; for the convicts/detainees and staff working in prisons, from 8.50 TL to 10.00 TL; for juvenile convicts and detainees held in prisons from 12.00 TL to 18.00 TL; for the children stayed with their mother, breastfeeding convicts/detainees and

		pregnant woman from 12.00 to 18.00 TL are increased. In this regard, with the circular dated 14/03/2020, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices have been instructed.
14	14/03/2020	With the general circular dated 14/03/2020, under the subparagraph (f) of the first paragraph of Article 6 of the Law on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures No. 5275, Article 113 of the Regulation on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures and Prison Administration and the decision of Ministry of Health Scientific Board, for the special measures need to be taken in prisons, general circulars are submitted to all Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices and Probation Services on admission of convicts and detainees, visits, dispensations, spouse and family visits, staff leaves, transfers etc. In this context, all referrals and transfers other than health and safety and closed and open visits in the prisons were postponed for 15 days.
15	16/03/2020	By attending the 3 meetings of the Scientific Board, their recommendations were taken in terms of measures that could be taken.
16	16/03/2020	With the general circular dated 16/03/2020, in line with the Public Health Law No. 1593 and the decisions of the Scientific Board of the Ministry of Health, the circulars were sent to the Chief Public Prosecutor's Office on the opinions of the lawyer, the delivery of the goods sent to the convicts / detainees and the measures to be taken about the children stay with their mother in order to prevent infectiousness of the coronavirus.

16	16/03/2020	With the general circular dated 16/03/2020, it was requested to pay attention to food variety in order to strengthen the immune system of the food offered to the convicts and detainees to prevent coronavirus infectiousness in prisons.
17	16/03/2020	With the general circular dated 16/03/2020, the training activities conducted at the Prisons and Detention Houses Staff Training Centers were postponed.
18	17/03/2020	With the general circular dated 17/03/2020, all Rapporteur Judges working at the General Directorate of Prisons and Detention Houses shared the prisons and information is obtained from the prisons in question at certain periods.
19	17/03/2020	With the instruction dated 17/03/2020, the duty of auditing/supervision is given to the controllers working within the General Directorate of Prisons and Detention Houses regarding the fulfillment of the instructions conveyed to the institutions/prisons.
20	17/03/2020	As of 17/03/2020, a letter has been written to the Ministry of Health on the appointment of additional doctors to carry out the examination in the prisons by family doctor or specialist doctor with the thought that the referrals of the convicts and detainees to the hospitals outside the institutions will increase the risk of coronavirus.
21	18/03/2020	With the general circular dated 18/03/2020, a letter has been written within the scope of regular disinfection of transport vehicles, compliance with hygiene rules, provision of liquid soap, gloves and masks in order to avoid material deficiencies in this context, the minimum number of staff, keeping the

		medicines from contracted pharmacies without delay at the prisons, probation services and staff training centers.
22	19/03/2020	With the general circular dated 19/03/2020, in order to prevent the intensity in the probation directorates, until 04/05/2020, letters on taking measures within the scope of the individual interviews, seminars, group works, signature liabilities, free employment in a public interest and on cancellation of all kinds of meetings with the protection boards are written.
23	23/03/2020	With the general circular dated 23/03/2020, the execution of the decisions to continue with the education institution / program ruled until 04/05/2020 in order to prevent the intensity experienced in the Probation Directorates and referral procedures of the probationers to the health institution within the scope of article 191 of the Turkish Penal Code No. 5237 postponed until the same date, except obligatory cases. On the other hand; in order to initiate execution/enforcement proceedings, the circulars are written under the notifications that the probationer is requested to apply to the directorate within 10 days are also postponed until 4 May 2020.
24	24/03/2020	All Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices with a general circular dated 24/03/2020 are instructed on ensuring that the money deposited by the convicts and their relatives through PTT (Post Office) is deposited/paid to the new temporary undated deposit fund account via a transfer / electronic funds transfer and on the money transfers to be made on behalf of convicts and detainees by direct transfer / electronic funds transfer by convicts and their relatives via opening temporarily a new checking account at public banks by each prison.

25	24/03/2020	Within the scope of the Presidency's Circular No. 2020/4 and the circular of the Ministry regarding Transference of Authority dated 23/03/2020 and numbered 56624178-E.1667 / 8446; with the general circular dated 24/03/2020, necessary instructions were given by the General Directorate of Prisons and Detention Houses to all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices about the working principles on staff.
26	25/03/2020	Observing the hygiene rules in the cafeteria and canteen in prisons, wearing the mask and gloves of the staff working in these areas, paying particular attention to hand cleaning, performing all kinds of cleaning and disinfection processes in the cafeteria and canteen units without delay, closing all tea houses used commonly by staff and administrative units in prisons until further notice, considering the decision of the Ministry of the Interior to temporarily cease/close the activities of the barbers, hairdressers and beauty centers as of 21 March 2020, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices have been instructed with a circular dated 25/03/2020 on the cessation of barber activities until a further notice.
27	27/03/2020	Within the scope of the Presidency's Circular No. 2020/4 and the circular of the Ministry regarding the Transference of Authority dated 23/03/2020 and numbered 56624178-E.1667 / 8446; with the general circular dated 27/03/2020, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices were instructed that administrative leave is given to staff in field service under our General Directorate without disrupting the service for the reason that their spouses worked under healthcare organization.

28	27/03/2020	In line with the Recommendations of the Ministry of Health Scientific Board dated 27/03/2020, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices have been instructed with a general circular dated 27/03/2020 in the direction of the activities that postponement period has expired for 2 (two) weeks, is extended for another 2 (two) weeks. With the general circular dated 30/04/2020, the activities are postponed until the last extension date 15/05/2020. The activities that the date of postponement expired are continued to be postponed for the two week periods.
29	6/04/2020	Taking into consideration the issues stated in the circular dated 06/04/2020 written to the Ministry of Health and the circular dated 03/04/2020 written to the Ministry of Interior regarding the measures to be taken with the regulation/arrangement made in the Law on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures No. 5275. Within the scope of the relevant legislation, all the Chief Public Prosecutors were instructed with the circular dated 06/04/2020 regarding the determination of the hospitals where the medical board reports can be obtained and the necessary coordination and arrangements with the civilian authorities regarding the provision of travel allowance documents and their transportation to their residences after the release procedures.
30	09/04/2020	With the regulation/arrangement made in the Law on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures No. 5275, with the circular dated 09/04/2020, all Chief Public Prosecutors were instructed to distribute brochures about the Covid-19 measures for the convicts to be released from open and closed prisons, who will leave the institution with permission and convicts to be departed from closed prisons to the open prisons.
31	10/04/2020	A letter was written to the Ministry of Health on 06/04/2020 in order to determine the hospitals where the medical board reports to be taken in accordance with paragraph 2/b of provisional Article 6 of the

		Law No. 5275 on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures and Articles 16 and 105/A of the current law. Pursuant to letter in question; the letter of the Ministry of Health Public Hospitals General Directorate dated 10/04/2020 regarding the informing of 81 Provincial Governorships (Local Health Authority) was sent to our General Directorate.
32	14/04/2020	With the Law on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures and with the adoption of the Bill of Law Amending Some Laws in the Turkish Grand National Assembly, under the paragraph 2/b of provisional Article 6 of the Law No. 5275 on the Execution of Penalties and Security Measures, Article 16 and 105/A of the Law no. 5275, for the purpose of determining convicts and detainees that can be benefited from penalty adjournment or probation that are not be able to survive alone because of a serious illness, disability or age, the circular of the Ministry of Health dated 10/04/2020 about the health authorities they will apply in course of having medical board report was sent to all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Office with the circular dated 14/04/2020.
33	14/04/2020	With the circular dated 14/04/2020, the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices were instructed in point of that the convicts and detainees whose Covid-19 test was positive or whose treatment was continued in isolation on suspicion of being positive in prison not being released after release, probation procedures in terms of contacting the Provincial / District Health Directorates and transferring them to the nearest health institution in order to complete the treatment process.
34	14/04/2020	The law on amendment within the scope of the Some Codes with Law on The Execution of Penalties and Security Measures No.7242, within the scope of the basic regulations/arrangements that it brought to reduce population of prisons; - The time required to be spent in prisons has been shortened and the conditional release rate has been changed to ½, with the exception without prejudices to the crimes. - The scope of special execution procedures has been extended .

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The broadened mandate and duties of Enforcement Judges have been expanded. - The scope of the conditions of leaving the open prison, disciplinary sanctions, the duration of the suspension of prison sentences, the scope of the reward opportunities that can be given to juvenile convicts has been extended. - It has become possible for the convicts in open prisons to work in favor of public institutions and to stay within the facilities provided by the institutions mentioned at night. - Due to COVID-19, the permissions were given to convicts who has been accommodated in open prisons and probationers.
35	23/04/2020	<p>Due to the fact that the prisons are collective places and pose a risk for infectious diseases, various circulars have been submitted and necessary instructions have been given in every subject within the scope of preventing coronavirus infectiousness and taking necessary treatment for possible disease cases. After the releases and leaves within the scope of the Law no. 7242, taking into consideration the sensitivity and seriousness of the issue that continues as in the first day, all the Chief Public Prosecutor's Offices have been instructed with a general circular dated 23/04/2020 that the measures to be taken regarding the disease in question must continue to be fully implemented.</p>
36	24/04/2020	<p>Within the scope of the measures taken due to the Covid-19 epidemic, in order to protect both staff working in prisons and the convicts and detainees from the epidemic in the places deemed appropriate, in line with the recommendation of the Scientific Advisory Board for prisons, circulars have been sent to the central and field services by our General Directorate to put the staff working in the prisons through isolation for 14 days periods.</p>