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Shri Kota Srinivas Poojary,
Minister of Backward Class Welfare Department/District In-charge,
Room No. 343,
3rd Floor,
Vidhana Soudha,
Bengaluru – 560 001

Dear Sir,

Sub: Appeal to consider relaxing the restrictions post 07th June to keep business afloat.

The Kanara Chambers of Commerce of Industry (KCCI) sincerely appreciates the efforts taken by the Government of Karnataka in tackling the Covid-19 pandemic, which has badly hit the entire State. In mid-April 2021, the rise in covid cases in the State prompted the state government to announce a lockdown from 23rd April 2021, and further restrictions were imposed from 4th May 2021. The lockdown has again been extended till 7th June 2021.

KCCI appreciates the government decision of lockdown considering the severity of the situation, both in the State and the Dakshina Kannada district. Though the lockdown has mainly been successful across the District from healthcare point of view, the trade and commerce are hit hard, and few industries are bleeding during this lockdown period. On the other hand, the common man has also been suffering heavily during the period.

On a positive note, in the last few days, Dakshina Kannada has seen a drop in the covid cases being reported. The peak of around 1,500 cases per day has been reduced to about 750 cases per day. The vaccination drive in the District is also picking up. Thus far, more than 4.5 lakh doses have been administered in the District.

We request you to consider the factors mentioned above to relax certain lockdown restrictions. We would be highly obliged if you could permit the following activities from 7th June 2021.

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1. Permit all **commercial establishments to function** with a 50% workforce.
2. Permit all **Industries to function**.
3. Present Bank timings are inconvenient and may be revised to say 08 am to 12 noon to suit both the Trade and General Public.

While considering the lifting of lockdown, the government may revise the office timings (reduced or staggered working hours), if required. Also, the weekend curfew can be imposed for a few more weeks till the total positivity rate and total oxygen bed occupancy are within manageable limits.

We are hopeful that you will consider our request to keep the economy afloat during this massive financial crisis to large sections of society. We also ensure our full support to the government in combating the deadly Covid Pandemic.

Thanking you.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

For Kanara Chamber of Commerce and Industry

**ISAAC VAS
PRESIDENT
DIN 00712781**

CC: Dr. Rajendra K.V (IAS), Deputy Commissioner, Dakshina Kannada District

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