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INFORMATION

Updates on circular letter of the Minister of Manpower Number M/11/HK.04/IX/2021 concerning service plans for the use of foreign workers in the period of handling the spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019

The Ministry of Manpower on 24 September 2021 had issued the Circular Letter of the Minister of Manpower Number M/11/HK.04/IX/2021 concerning Service Plans for the Use of Foreign Workers in the Period of Handling the Spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

In relation with the promulgation of Government Regulation Number 34 of 2021 concerning the Use of Foreign Workers, Regulation of the Minister of Manpower Number 8 of 2021 concerning Implementing Regulations of Government Regulation Number 34 of 2021 concerning the Use of Foreign Workers, and Regulation of the Minister of Law and Human Rights Number 34 of 2021 concerning Granting Immigration Visas and Stay Permits During the Handling of the Spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the National Economic Recovery, the Minister of Manpower convey as follow:

- 1. Employers of foreign workers can apply for Ratification of the Plan for the Use of Foreign Workers (RPTKA) for;
- a. activities of National Strategic Projects and National Vital Objects based on recommendations from the ministry that organizes coordination, synchronization, and control of ministries in governance affairs in the maritime and investment fields; or
- b. special and urgent reasons based on recommendations from the relevant ministries/agencies.
- 2. The requirements for a limited stay visa application in the context of working for foreign workers are carried out in accordance with the provisions of the legislation in the field of immigration.
- 3. The ratification of the RPTKA is not given to prospective foreign workers who come from certain countries with a high COVID-19 spread rate based on a stipulation by the minister who carries out government affairs in the fields of law and human rights.
- 4. Employers of foreign workers may apply for an extension of the RPTKA for foreign workers who are still in the territory of Indonesia.
- 5. At the time the Circular Letter comes into force, the Circular Letter of the Minister of Manpower Number M/3/HK.04/11/2021 concerning Services for Using Foreign Workers in Efforts to Prevent the Entry of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), is revoked and declared no apply.
- 6. The Circular Letter shall come into force on the date of stipulation.

In the previous Circular Letter of the Minister of Manpower Number M/3/HK.04/II/2021 concerning Services for the Use of Foreign Workers in Efforts to Prevent the entry of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) temporarily suspended the service process for using foreign workers for new applications, except for foreign workers who worked on the National Strategy Project (PSN) and strategic/national vital objects based on special considerations or written permission from the relevant ministry/institution.

Reference:

• The Period of Handling the Spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

If you require a copy of the reference document above, please do not hesitate to contact <u>research@ibai.or.id</u>. Thank you for your attention and hope this information would be valuable for you.

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