

Alcohol and Covid-19

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FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

► Introduction

The main purpose of this study was to investigate regulations relating to liquor during the lockdown period of COVID 19 in Namibia.

Purposive sampling was employed to select **Adult Education Practitioners** who participated in this study. The study used **interviews** and **observations** as methods of collecting data.



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- The study findings revealed that adult education practitioners understand alcohol as any spirituous liquor or any wine or beer containing three per cent or more by volume of alcohol, excluding methylated spirit
- The study further found that the Namibian government have attained numerous success in prohibitions relating to liquor (COVID 19 Regulations Proclamation 9 of 2020).



This includes:

- Prohibitions of liquor purchase or sale,
- According to the Namibian Government Gazette no. 7159 on 28 March 2020, it is stated that a person who contravened commits an offence and is on conviction liable to a fine not exceeding N\$2 000 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.



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- ▶ An authorized officer may, without a warrant, seize any liquor that is suspected to have being sold or has been purchased in contravention of this regulation and the seized liquor must, subject to necessary changes, be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the Liquor Act, 1998 (Act No. 6 of 1998) as if it were liquor seized in terms of that Act.

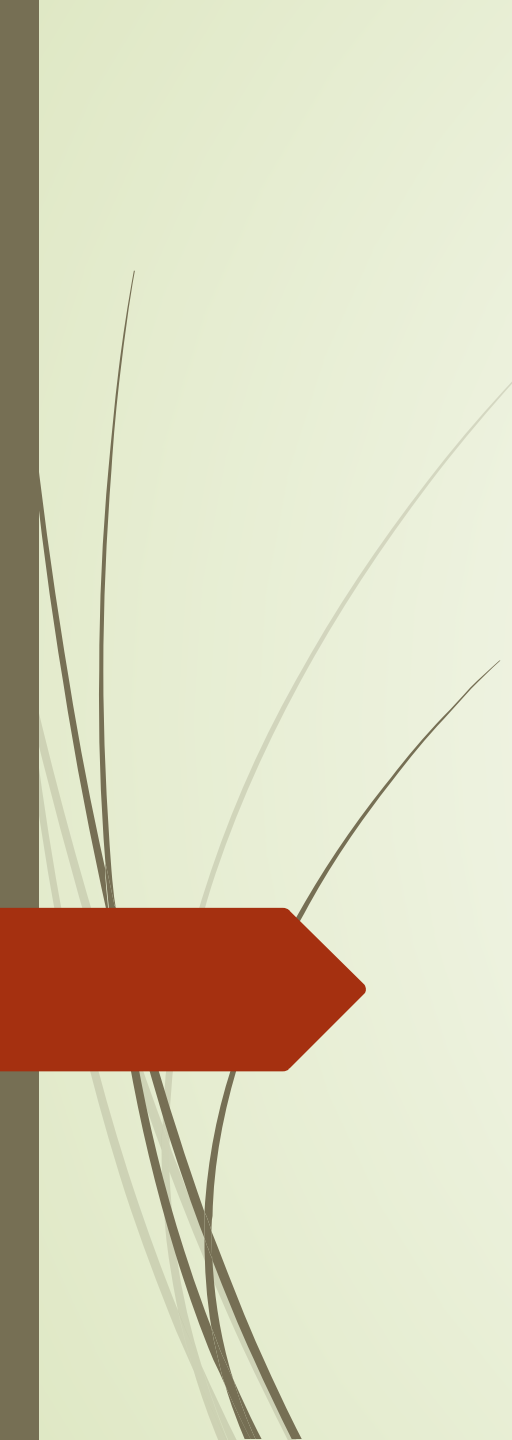
CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS...

- **The following were recommendations relating to certain operations and closure of certain business:**
 - ❖ All open markets, informal trading activities, shebeens, bars, pubs and nightclubs were closed.
 - ❖ Equally important, heads of institutions of businesses and entities which were operating during the period of lockdown had ensured that persons that accessed the essential goods or critical services at the business premises or places of the institutions and entities adhered to measures to combat, prevent and suppress the spread of COVID-19.



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