

## CII: Calibrated Approach Needed to Exit Shutdown

### The Suggestions

- ▶ **Consider** geographical spread before opening up industries
- ▶ **Red, amber and green,** basis number of COVID cases 
- ▶ **Give adequate** notice before lifting lockdown
- ▶ **Labour-intensive, export-oriented** sectors should restart

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**New Delhi:** The government should take a calibrated approach looking at the geographical spread of Covid-19 cases in exiting the nationwide lockdown, industry body CII said. Sectors related to agriculture, essential commodities, exports, among others, must be prioritised in easing restrictions, it said.

CII has used four key indicators for prioritising sectors that need to be restarted, it said.

These include sectors that are part of and support the essential goods and services ecosystem, labour intensive sectors, sectors that are essential for protecting India's export market share and gain the confidence of global markets besides sectors that will help the country manage its imports to a minimum based on essential requirements for further production and export.

However, prior to lifting of lockdown, there has to be adequate notice given to all and along with that there should be announcement of an economic package, CII said. All facilities that reopen must have requisite health, sanitation and screening systems in place to protect workers, the industry body said.