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AFTER MEETING OF STATE PRIME MINISTERS WITH CHANCELLOR

Dreyer: Stick with 'Basic Philosophy' for Corona Protection

“We have achieved quite a lot in Germany, but we must not behave frivolously.” That is what State Prime Minister Malu Dreyer said after the meeting of the state prime ministers with Chancellor Angela Merkel. She appeals to strictly comply with corona restrictions henceforth.

It were important to have a common scope for corona measures. The state prime ministers coordinated such a 'basic philosophy' with Chancellor Angela Merkel (CDU), the SPD politician said.

Physical distance, wearing of face coverings and contact restrictions are “the only means we have currently at hand to control the pandemic”, Dreyer said in Mainz Thursday. This was agreed upon by the states even when they had different interpretations of contact restrictions.

A View on China shows latent Danger

The fewer people you meet, the shorter the period you stay with people within one room, the better it is. At current you only need to take a look on China to see that the virus may spread again with the speed of an explosion, said the Rhineland-Palatinate Prime Minister.

Large Events not authorized

It is clear that the subject of large events is taboo until the end of October, said Dreyer. These events do not comply with the required minimum physical distance of 1.5 meter und contact restrictions.

“This Year Summer Residences are more sought for than ‘Ballermann’”

Schools and child development centers returning to regular operations are excluded from rules for physical distancing said Dreyer. For that reason it is important to implement hygiene standards and to have the possibility to track contacts among groups in order to be able to expedite quarantine measures quickly.

Dreyer also addressed planning of annual leave for this summer. “This year it will more likely be a summer residence rather than Ballermann” [a notorious party mile on the Island of Mallorca K.B.], said the prime minister. Most people have internalized that. Especially large crowds are a danger for a new and stronger spreading of corona virus.

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