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Corona crisis: "The next few days are crucial"

State Secretary: R-value increased alarmingly

Bucharest (ADZ) - In view of the significantly increased number of infections with the novel corona virus in the past few days, the State Secretary in the Ministry of Health Andrei Baciú indicated on Monday that the coming days will be "decisive" for further easing or new restrictions.

As Baciú explained to the media, the number of reproductions - or R-value for short - that depicts the infection in the corona pandemic and is a guideline for political measures has risen dramatically in Germany. A few weeks ago, the R value in Romania was 0.6 / 0.7, now it is 1.1 again above the critical 1.0 percent mark, above which no easing could be recommended anymore, said the State Secretary.

For his part, Health Minister Nelu Tătaru (PNL) said on Monday that "restrictions in towns or regions with foci of infection" are conceivable. When asked at what level of daily new infections again restrictions could be expected, the minister replied that if "an increase to more or less 300 cases a day" measures were inevitable.