#024 : Potential impacts of the Shutdown on Inventory Operations



- We may experience a period of substantially low demand after a sudden increase due to panic buying. This is particulary true for essential products. This can cause shortages at the downstream locations.
- There might be shortages in the upstream locations as well when the situation normalizes. This is due to the supply gap from the production units or shortages at the suppliers.
- Shortages of essential goods might be much higher.



However, even after the crisis, the supply side may take longer to normalize. This can happen due to the shortages at the upstream and downstream levels.

Some international suppliers may not be able to fulfill orders in time or not at all due to restrictions.

Shortages of workers may also affect inventory operations.

