

# Protests against Covid-19 Restrictions

In the last week of January 2021, people of various developed countries protested against imposition of restrictions by their governments in the name of curbing the Covid-19.

In Netherlands anti-curfew demonstrations protested against covid virus restrictions. These protests turned into riots have continued for several nights across the entire country. While it was the first curfew imposed in the country since the second world-war, this has triggered protests and unrest with violence. The rioters set fires, threw rocks and looted stores. In more than 10 cities emergency orders were issued providing police officers with greater powers to conduct searches. The government said it will not back down on its curfew.

In Denmark Hundreds of people took to streets on the night of Feb.6, to protest against Denmark's Covid-19 restrictions and country's plans for digital vaccination certificate. The protesters gathered in the bitter cold in front of the parliament building to protest the "dictatorship" of Denmark's partial lock-down. Plans of the government for a digital vaccine passport for Travellers to be used potentially for sports and cultural events as well as restaurants, was the main target of the protester's anger. In the capital of Spain Madrid thousands of anti-restriction protesters marched against the restrictions imposed in Italy, students demonstrated in front of education Ministry's head quarters in Rome protesting against 'distance learning' due to governments restrictions to curb the spread of COVID-19. Protesters in Los Angeles of USA, have briefly disrupted a corona virus vaccination distribution centre at dodger stadium. The protesters carried placards with slogans demanding the end of lockdowns and promoting anti-vaccination conspiracy theories. In Jerusalem thousands of ultra-orthodox Jews defied Israel, covid virus restrictions to attend a rabbi's funeral, prompting defence Minister to demand the community's repeated breaking of lock-down rules must end.

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