

F. No. Z.28015/180/2021-DMCell
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
(Disaster Management Cell)

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 19th August 2021

To,

Sh. Niteen Subhash Yeola
Deputy Secretary (Afghanistan),
Ministry of External Affairs, GoI
(Email: dspai@mea.gov.in and situationroom@mea.gov.in)

Sub: Exemption from Pre-Boarding COVID-19 RT-PCR tests of Indian Nationals for early repatriation –
Reg.

Sir,

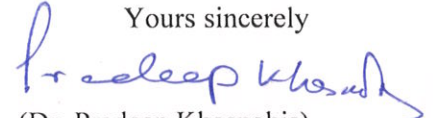
Please refer to your email dated 19th August 2021, as received from Afghanistan Help Desk,
MEA on the above-mentioned subject.

The issue has been examined in this Ministry and the following is proposed:

Considering the emergency situation in Afghanistan and the point of origin of these travelers, we may agree to exemption from pre-arrival testing subject to condition that all such expatriates upon arrival in India shall be subjected to post-arrival RT-PCR testing and will not be allowed to exit the airport without a negative test result. Such individuals testing negative will be advised to self-monitor their health for 14 days.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours sincerely



(Dr. Pradeep Khasnobis)

DDG, DM Cell, MoHFW 19/8/21

Tel: 011-23060777

Copy to:

1. Sr. PPS to Secretary (H)
2. Sr. PPS to AS (H)
3. Sr. PPS to AS & MD, NHM

Copy for information to:

1. Advisor (Immunization), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
2. DDG (IH), Dte. GHS, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare