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No. 187/HS/PS/2021

Dated 04th May, 2021

To Sri P.S. Kharola, IAS Secretary Ministry of Civil Aviation Government of India New Delhi

Sub: RT-PCR testing restrictions on flight passengers coming from outside to

West Bengal -Reg

Ref: No 154/HS/PS/2021 dated 23rd April 2021

Sir,

In continuation of the aforesaid reference number and subject, the state government has decided that with effect from 23:59 hrs of 7th May, 2021 all flight passengers coming from outside the state of West Bengal shall mandatorily possess an RT-PCR negative test report for a test conducted within 72 hours of such flight departure.

Further, notwithstanding such RT-PCR negative report, proper thermal and health screening of all passengers must be conducted by the airlines staff before being allowed boarding.

Accordingly, I would request that all airlines may kindly be issued suitable instructions.

Yours faithfully,

(H. K. Dwivedi)

Additional Chief Secretary

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- 2) Shri Narayan Swaroop Nigam, IAS, Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt of West Bengal
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To Sri P.S. Kharola, IAS Secretary Ministry of Civil Aviation Government of India New Delhi

> Sub: Mandatory RT-PCR negative test for flight passengers coming from Delhi, <u>Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh and Gujarat from 26th April, 2021</u>

Sir,

In view of the increasing trend of Covid cases in the states of Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh and Gujarat and in continuation of 294-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 24th February, 2021 (where RT-PCR tests and negative reports, prior to flight boarding, were made mandatory for flight passengers from the states of Maharashtra, Kerala, Telengana and Kerala), this is to inform you that the State Government has further decided that from 12 noon of 26th April, 2021, all passengers coming to West Bengal from the aforesaid 5 states shall also be required to mandatorily carry a covid negative RT-PCR report for such test conducted within 72 hours of flight departure. This shall not be applicable for flight crew, children below 2 years old, and transit passengers whose final destination is not west Bengal and do not need to come out of the airport.

Further, only emergency cases like death of kin will be exempted from prior testing. However, they will have to get themselves tested on arrival at the airport at their cost.

However, election observers deployed emergently by the Honourable Election Commission of India will be facilitated to get the RT-PCR test done, if not done before the departure, then at the arrival point/district of posting immediately on arrival in West Bengal, and they shall also be facilitated to proceed to isolation/quarantine/hospital on being detected COVID positive as per laid down COVID protocol.

Accordingly, I would request that all airlines may kindly be issued suitable instructions.

Yours faithfully,

(H. K. Dwivedi)

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From : Sri H.K. Dwivedi, IAS Additional Chief Secretary Home & Hill Affairs Department

To: Sri P.S. Kharola, IAS
Secretary
Ministry of Civil Aviation
Government of India
New Delhi

Sub: Mandatory RT-PCR negative test for passengers coming from Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka and Telangana from 12 noon of 27th February, 2021

Sir,

In view of the increasing trend of Covid cases in the states of Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka and Telangana and in continuation of 385/HS/PA/20 dated 26thAugust,2020 this is to inform you that the State Government has decided that from 12.00 noon of 27th February, 2021, all passengers coming to West Bengal from the aforesaid 4 states shall mandatorily carry a covid negative RT-PCR report for such test conducted within 72 hours of flight departure.

Accordingly, I would request that suitable instructions may kindly be issued to all the airlines.

Yours faithfully,

(H. K. Dwivedi)

Government of West Bengal

Guidelines for Domestic Travel by Air

- At airport, during boarding and travel, passengers shall use face covers/mask. They will also follow hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette and maintain social distancing norms.
- All passengers shall undergo health screening at the point of departure and only asymptomatic passengers shall be allowed to board the plane.
- On arrival, health screening shall be done for all the passengers. Asymptomatic passengers will be permitted to go with the advice that they shall self monitor their health for 14 days. In case they develop any symptoms, they shall inform the local medical officer or state call center 1800 313 444 222/033-23412600,2357 3636/1083/1085 for medical interventions.
- Samples will be collected for COVID test from all symptomatic passengers. They will be taken to the nearest health facility for sample collection and health condition assessment.
- Those, with moderate or severe symptoms, will be admitted to the dedicated Covid health facility and managed accordingly.
- Those, having mild symptoms, will be asked to go for home/institutional isolation.
- Further, medical interventions will be taken as per the test result.
- All passengers are required to submit filled up self declaration form at the time of arrival to the state health officials.
- Regular sanitization/disinfection of the common surfaces shall be done
 at the airport. There should be adequate availability of soaps/sanitizers
 at different points in the airport.
- Adequate publicity for maintenance of social distancing norms and health hygiene protocol should be done at the airport.

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