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NEW MANGALORE PORT TRUST



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Date : 13-12-2021

TRADE CIRCULAR

Sub : New protocol for international arrivals in view of the variant of concern Omicron- SARS – CoV-2
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The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare vide letter No.Admn/12/08/2016/PHO-MNG dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021 has requested to ensure strict compliance regarding arrivals in seaports from the Ports of the "Countries at risk" i.e. Europe including The United Kingdom, South Africa, Brazil, Botswana, China, Mauritius, New Zealand, Zimbabwe, Singapore, Hong Kong, Israel. The guidelines contains various protocols, instructions to agents and the guidelines for international arrivals.

All Port Users are requested to ensure that the above mentioned protocols are complied with for arrivals to New Mangalore Port.

  
TRAFFIC MANAGER

To

All Port Users

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Copy to : The President, Association of NMP Stevedores  
Copy to : The President, NMP C&F Agents' Assn.  
Copy to : The President, Kanara Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
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To,  
Chairman  
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**Sub: New protocol for International arrivals/reg**

In view of the variant of concern Omicron of the SARS-CoV-2, new guidelines and Standard Operating Procedure have been issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare regarding the arrival of international travellers into India.

**For arrivals in seaports:**

- Self-declaration form to be filled in by all seafarers who intend to disembark at New Mangalore Port.
- Those arriving from countries mentioned as "at risk" to undergo mandatory RT-PCR testing upon arrival, and shall quarantine themselves awaiting the result.
- The results of the RT-PCR to be notified to the Port Health Organization.
- If negative, they shall be allowed to travel to their destination and will have to home quarantine for 7 days and undergo a repeat test on the 8<sup>th</sup> day. If subsequently negative, self-monitor for a further 7 days.
- If positive, then individual will undergo institutional quarantine and monitored by the State Government.
- Random RT-PCR testing will be done of 2% of those who have arrived from countries excluded in the "at risk" category.

All steamer agents are kindly requested to ensure that the above-mentioned protocol is strictly followed.

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The following attachments are enclosed for your reference and you are requested to familiarize yourselves with the same.

1. Guidelines for International Arrivals dated 30.11.2021
2. List of Countries to be referred to in context of Guidelines for International arrivals updated on 30.11.2021
3. Algorithm for revised guidelines for international arrivals dated 30.11.2021

With regards,

*Nadia*  
Port Health Organization  
Mangalore

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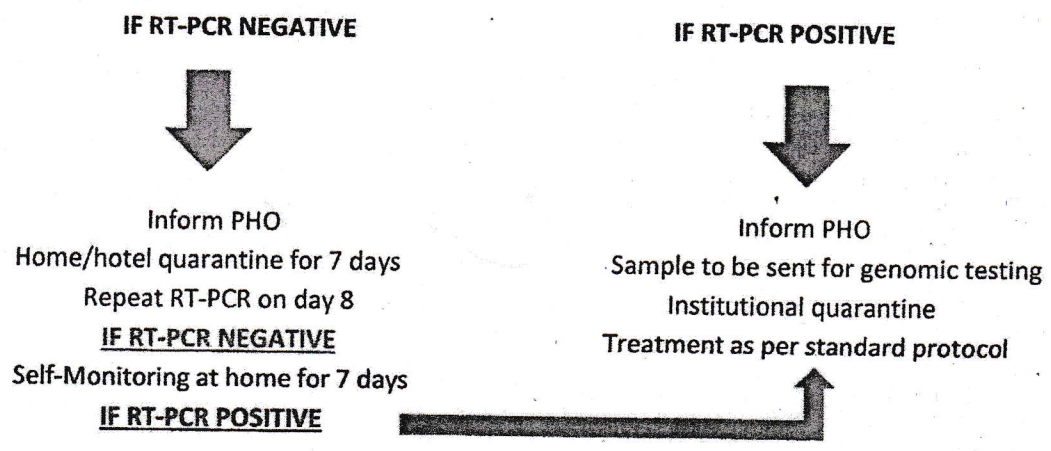
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**INSTRUCTION TO AGENTS IN WAKE OF POSSIBLE OMICRON VARIANT PANDEMIC**

- 1) Inform PHO in advance about
  - a) Vessels which have called at the ports of the "countries at risk" within the last 14 days.
  - b) Whether any sick crew members are present in the vessel
- 2) Movement of people in the vessel from affected countries should be restricted.
  - a) Any person coming into contact with the affected vessel and those on board are recommended to wear PPE/mask.
  - b) No shore pass to be issued.
- 3) SIGN OFF INSTRUCTION: Agents will send Self Reporting Form (SRF) of all sign off crew members to PHO before arrival by email and the original upon arrival.
  - a) SRF to contain the personal mobile number, quarantine (home/hotel) address and the final destination address as listed in the passport.
  - b) All sign off crew members from the affected countries are required to undergo mandatory RT-PCR testing upon arrival.
  - c) They shall quarantine themselves while awaiting the result of the test.
  - d) ALL TEST RESULTS WHETHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE TO BE INTIMATED TO THE PHO.



*Radia*  
 PORT HEALTH OFFICER  
 NEW MANGALORE PORT

# Algorithm: Guidelines for International Arrivals (Dated 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

## International Arrivals

Mandatory filling up of Self-Declaration Form (SDF) and uploading of negative RT-PCR test report\* for all International travelers

Airlines to ensure availability of negative RT-PCR report before allowing the travelers to board

Travelers coming from Countries 'at risk'<sup>#</sup> to undergo RT-PCR testing on arrival |

Travelers coming from Countries excluding those enlisted as Countries at risk<sup>#</sup>

If testing negative

If testing positive

A random sample of 2% of travelers to undergo RT-PCR testing on arrival

If testing negative

If testing positive

- Home quarantine for 7 days,
- Re-test on the 8th day\* and if negative, self-health monitoring for next 7 days

- Send sample for genomic testing
- Admit at separate isolation facility.
- Treatment as per laid down standard protocol.
- Discharged at the discretion of treating physician if the genomic testing is negative for B.1.1.529 (Omicron variant)
- If positive for the new variant strict isolation and treatment protocol to be followed till tested negative

- Self health monitoring for 14 days

- Send sample for genomic testing
- Treatment as per laid down standard protocol.

If testing positive on repeat testing

If develop symptoms during quarantine/ self-health monitoring period or test positive on repeat testing

Report to nearest health facility or contact National (1075) or State Helpline No.

\* Children under 5 years of age are exempted from pre- and post- arrival testing. However, if found symptomatic for COVID-19 on arrival or during home quarantine period, they shall undergo testing and treated as per laid down protocol.

<sup>#</sup> Countries from where travellers would need to follow additional measures on arrival in India, including post-arrival testing (Countries at-risk)

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Dated the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

**Government of India  
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**

**Guidelines for International Arrivals  
(in supersession of all guidelines issued on the subject on and after 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021)**

**Introduction**

The global trajectory of COVID-19 pandemic continues to decline with certain regional variations. The need to monitor the continuously changing nature of virus and evolution of SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern (VOCs) must still remain in focus. The existing guidelines for international arrivals in India have been formulated taking a risk-based approach. The existing guidelines have been revised in view of reporting of a new variant of SARS-CoV-2 (B.1.1.529; named Omicron) which has been now classified as Variant of Concern by the World Health Organization.

**Scope**

This document provides protocols to be complied with international travellers as well those to be followed by airlines, points of entry (airports, seaports and land border) for risk profiling of passengers.

This Standard Operating Procedure shall be valid **w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 (00.01 Hrs IST)** till further orders. Based on the risk assessment, this document shall be reviewed from time to time.

**A.1. Planning for Travel**

- i. All travellers should
  - a. Submit self-declaration form on the online Air Suvidha portal (<https://www.newdelhiahairport.in/airsuvidha/apho-registration>) before the scheduled travel, including last 14 days travel details.
  - b. Upload a negative COVID-19 RT-PCR report\*. This test should have been conducted within 72 hrs prior to undertaking the journey.
  - c. Each passenger shall also submit a declaration with respect to authenticity of the report and will be liable for criminal prosecution, if found otherwise.
- ii. They should also give an undertaking on the portal or otherwise to Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India, through concerned airlines before they are allowed to undertake the journey that they would abide by the decision of the appropriate government authority to undergo home/institutional quarantine/ self-health monitoring, as warranted.
- iii. Continuing with the earlier approach, travellers from certain specified Countries (based on epidemiological situation of COVID-19 in those Countries) are identified for additional follow up. These include need for additional measures as detailed in para (xv) below. The listing of such specified Countries is a dynamic exercise based on evolving situation of COVID-19 across the world and will be made available on the websites of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, ([mohfw.gov.in](http://mohfw.gov.in)) and the link of the same will be available at website of Ministry of External Affairs and Air Suvidha Portal.

**A.2. Before Boarding**

- iv. Passengers originating or transiting from at-risk countries shall be informed by the airlines that they will undergo post arrival testing, quarantine if tested negative, stringent isolation protocols if tested positive etc. as mentioned in para (xv).

- v. Do's and Don'ts shall be provided along with ticket to the travellers by the airlines/agencies concerned.
- vi. Airlines to allow boarding by only those passengers who have filled in the Self Declaration Form on the Air Suvidha portal, uploaded the negative RT-PCR test report.
- vii. At the time of boarding the flight, only asymptomatic travellers will be allowed to board after thermal screening.
- viii. All passengers shall be advised to download Aarogya Setu app on their mobile devices.

#### **A.3. During Travel**

- ix. In-flight announcement about COVID-19 including precautionary measures to be followed shall be made at airports and in flights and during transit.
- x. During in-flight crew shall ensure that COVID appropriate behaviour is followed at all times.
- xi. If any passenger reports symptoms of COVID-19 during flight, he/she shall be isolated as per protocol.

#### **A.4. On arrival**

- xii. De-boarding should be done ensuring physical distancing.
- xiii. Thermal screening would be carried out in respect of all the passengers by the health officials present at the airport. The self-declaration form filled online shall be shown to the airport health staff.
- xiv. The passengers found to be symptomatic during screening shall be immediately isolated and taken to medical facility as per health protocol. If tested positive, their contacts shall be identified and managed as per laid down protocol<sup>#</sup>.
- xv. Travellers from specified Countries at risk [as mentioned in para (iii) above] will follow the protocol as detailed below:
  - Submission of sample for post-arrival COVID-19 test\* at the point of arrival (self-paid). Such travellers will be required to wait for their test results at the arrival airport before leaving or taking a connecting flight.
  - If tested negative they will follow, home quarantine for 7 days. Re-test on the 8th day of arrival in India\* and if negative, further self-monitor of their health for next 7 days.
  - However, if such travellers are tested positive, their samples should be sent for genomic testing at INSACOG laboratory network.
  - They shall be managed at separate isolation facility and treated as per laid down standard protocol including contact tracing mentioned in para (xiv).
  - The contacts of such positive case should be kept under institutional quarantine or at home quarantine monitored strictly by the concerned State Government as per laid down protocol.
- xvi. Travellers from Countries excluding those Countries at risk, will be allowed to leave the airport and shall self-monitor their health for 14 days' post arrival. A sub-section (2% of the total flight passengers) shall undergo post-arrival testing at random at the airport on arrival.
  - a. The 2% of such travellers in each flight shall be identified by the concerned airlines (preferably from different countries).
  - b. Such travellers shall be escorted by the concerned airlines/MoCA to testing area on arrival.
  - c. The cost of testing of such travellers shall be borne by the travellers identified for random testing themselves.

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- d. Laboratories shall prioritize testing of samples from such travellers.
  - e. If such travellers are tested positive, they shall be managed as per laid down standard protocol and samples would further send for genomic testing.
- xvii. If travellers under home quarantine or self-health monitoring, develop signs and symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 or test positive for COVID-19 on re-testing, they will immediately self-isolate and report to their nearest health facility or call National helpline number (1075)/ State Helpline Number.

**International travellers arriving at seaports/land ports**

- xviii. International travellers arriving through seaports/land ports will also have to undergo the same protocol as above, except that facility for online registration is not available for such passengers currently.
- xix. Such travellers shall submit the self-declaration form to the concerned authorities of Government of India at seaports/land ports on arrival.

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\* Children under 5 years of age are exempted from both pre- and post-arrival testing. However, if found symptomatic for COVID-19 on arrival or during home quarantine period, they shall undergo testing and treated as per laid down protocol.

# Contacts of the suspect case are the co-passengers seated in the same row, 3 rows in front and 3 rows behind along with identified Cabin Crew. Also, all the community contacts of those travellers who have tested positive (during home quarantine period) would be subjected to quarantine for 14 days and tested as per ICMR protocol.



**List of Countries from where travellers would need to follow additional measures on arrival in India, including post-arrival testing (Countries at-risk)**

(Updated as on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

1. Countries in Europe including The United Kingdom
2. South Africa
3. Brazil
4. Botswana
5. China
6. Mauritius
7. New Zealand
8. Zimbabwe
9. Singapore
10. Hong Kong
11. Israel