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No. 111/Pr.Secy./MSME&T

Dated: 06 .08.2020

From: Rajesh Pandey, IAS

Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

To : Shri Arun K. Chatterjee, IFS

Additional Secretary (PSP) and CPO PSP Division, Ministry of External Affairs

New Delhi - 110 001.

Ref:

My letter no. 104/Pr.Secy./MSME&T Dt.22.07.2020 and your no.

3215/AS(PSP)&CPO/2020 dt. 4.08.2020.

Sir,

Kindly recall discussions held with him in connection with letter no. 3215/AS(PSP)&CPO/2020 dt. 4.08.2020 wherein he has suggested that the draft SOP sent by the undersigned vide letter no. 104/Pr.Secv./MSME&T Dt.22.07.2020 may be revised considering the guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) dated 2nd August, 2020.

After going through the aforesaid guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) a revised SOP has been prepared for the chartered flights carrying Indian nationals from abroad to West Bengal. A copy of the said revised SOP is enclosed along with.

As would be evident from the above SOP, the Government of West Bengal has decided that presently only chartered flights carrying stranded Indian nationals from abroad having a negative test report (RT-PCR) conducted within 96 hours of flight departure may land at airports within the state of West Bengal.

Accordingly, you are requested to kindly convey the aforesaid SOP to the Indian Missions and also to the Ministry of Civil Aviation for further necessary action so that the chartered flights following the above SOP may be scheduled with effect from 10th August, 2020.

With best regards.

Yours faithfully,

## REVISED SOP FOR CHARTERED FLIGHTS CARRYING INDIAN NATIONALS FROM ABROAD

- 1. The airlines shall apply for NOC from the State for operating flights to West Bengal through email application at <a href="mailto:swaroopjs.msmet@gmail.com">swaroopjs.msmet@gmail.com</a> with the following details
  - a. Name and details of the Sponsor
  - b. No. of Passengers
  - c. Details of passenger
  - d. Date of travel
  - e. Flight details
  - f. Undertaking that all passengers travelling to West Bengal will be tested Covid 19
    Negative
  - g. An in-principle clearance of the Indian Mission/MEA for the proposed flight
- 2. The flight chartering organization has to ensure that only passengers who are tested *Covid* 19 Negative (RT-PCR test) will take the flight. Test reports and undertakings in prescribed format against each passenger shall be uploaded in the portal www.newdelhiairport.in at least 24 hours prior to departure of the flight.
- 3. The aforesaid test should have been conducted *within 96 hours prior* to departure of the flight.
- 4. Airlines should ensure that only passengers carrying authentic and original test report within the stipulation as mentioned in para 3 above /approval letter of the State Govt authority from the portal are allowed boarding.
- 5. All the passengers shall undergo thermal screening before boarding the flight. Only those passengers who are asymptotic shall be allowed to board.
- 6. On arrival, test reports and the approval issued through the portal against each passenger will be verified. Passengers having the Negative test report shall undergo home quarantine for 14 days. In case they develop any symptoms during this time period, they shall inform the local medical officer or state call center 1800 313 444 222/033-23412600,2357 3636/1083/1085 for medical interventions.
- 7. However, passengers who are found symptomatic on health screening at the airport shall be immediately isolated and taken to a medical facility as per the existing protocol of the Health Department.
- 8. Any deviation/non compliance of the stated SoP shall be treated seriously and suitable action will be taken against the organization chartering the flight, the Airlines as well as the concerned Passenger under appropriate law.

## **SELF DECLARATION FORM**

(To be submitted online before departure of the flight)

Name	
Date of Arrival	
Arriving From	
Local Address	
Mobile Number	
I hereby declare	that:
1. I am curre	ntly not Covid-19 positive.
2. Tam not su	offering from any cough/fever/respiratory distress.
3. I will subje	ct myself to the health screening by the health authorities on reaching India and
shall abide	by the decision of the authorities
4. I will make	my mobile number/contact details available to the local authorities for contact
tracing if r	equired by them.

5. I undertake to strictly adhere to the protocol as prescribed by the health authority for

6. If I subsequently develop any of the symptoms mentioned in point 2 above, I shall inform the

7. I understand that furnishing incorrect information would make me liable to penal action.

local medical officer or state call center 1800 313 444 222/033-23412600,2357

Signature

institutional Quarantine/self monitoring without any deviation.

3636/1083/1085 for medical interventions.

Place:

Date: