# छत्तीरागढ शारान सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग महानदी भवन, नवा रायपुर, अटल नगर

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अर्न्तराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के माध्यम से यू.के. (यूनाईटेड किंगडम) से छत्तीसगढ़ आने वाले विषय:-यात्रियों हेतु दिशा-निर्देश।

संदर्भ:-स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार का निर्देश दिनांक 22.12.2020

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नोवेल कोरोना वायरस के नये वेरियन्ट के संक्रमण पर नियंत्रण के परिप्रेक्ष्य में अर्न्तराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के माध्यम से यू.के. (यूनाईटेड किंगडम) से भारत पहुंचने वाले एवं छत्तीसगढ आने वाले यात्रियों के एयरपोर्ट अथवा अन्य मार्ग से राज्य में आने पर देश के एयरपोर्ट पर कराये गये आर.टी.पी.सी.आर. टेस्ट रिपोर्ट की जांच की जाये तथा रिपोर्ट पॉजिटिव होने पर उपरोक्त संदर्भित एसओपी अनुसार संस्थागत क्वारेंटीन/कोविड केयर सेन्टर/अस्पताल में रखा जाये। फ्लाईट में पॉजिटिव यात्री के कान्टेक्ट हेतु निर्धारित एसओपी अनुसार कार्यवाई की जाए। रिपोर्ट निगेटिव होने पर यात्रियों को भारत सरकार द्वारा निर्धारित एसओपी अनुसार स्वयं को 14 दिवस होमआईसोलेशन में रखने की सलाह दी जाये तथा इसके प्रतिदिन पालन एवं फॉलोअप के लिए आवश्यक व्यवस्था सुनिश्चित की जाये।

2/ एयरपोर्ट पर इस संबंध में आवश्यक जानकारी आगमन स्थल पर प्रदर्शित की जाये। कृपया विदित हों कि अर्न्तराष्ट्रीय उड़ानों के माध्यम से आने वाले यात्रियों के लिए भारत सरकार द्वारा पूर्व में एसओपी जारी किया जा चुका है जिसका पालन सुनिश्चित किया जाये।

संलग्न:-उपरोक्तानुसार।

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छत्तासगढ़ शासन सामान्य प्रशासन विमाग

## Government of India

# Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Standard Operating Procedure for Epidemiological Surveillance and Response in the context of new variant of SARS-CoV-2 virus detected in United Kingdom

#### Introduction

A new variant of SARS- CoV 2 virus [Variant Under Investigation (VUI)-20212/01] has been reported by the Government of United Kingdom (UK) to World Health Organization (WHO). This variant is estimated by European Center for Disease Control (ECDC) to be more transmissible and affecting younger population. This variant is defined by a set of 17 changes or mutations. One of the most significant is an N501Y mutation in the spike protein that the virus uses to bind to the human ACE2 receptor. Changes in this part of the spike protein may result in the virus becoming more infectious and spreading more easily between people.

#### Scope

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) describes the activities to be undertaken at the point of entry and in the community for all International passengers who have travelled from or transited through UK in the past 4 weeks (from 25<sup>th</sup> November to 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020). Any reference to testing in this SOP implies RT-PCR testing only.

#### Part A

## Actions to be taken at International Airports

All international travelers as described in the scope above will be required to declare as per existing procedure, their travel history (of past 14 days) and fill up the Self Declaration Form to be screened for COVID-19.

The flights from UK stand suspended temporarily from 23<sup>rd</sup> December till 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 or till further orders. All the passengers coming from UK during the intervening period from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 shall be subjected to the following process:

- Respective State governments shall ensure that all passengers travelling from or transiting through airports in UK and disembarking in India would be subjected to RT-PCR test on arrival. In case of a positive sample, it is recommended that spike gene-based RT-PCR test should also be performed by an appropriate laboratory.
- 2. Passengers testing positive shall be isolated in an institutional isolation facility in a separate (isolation) unit coordinated by the respective State Health Authorities. They would earmark specific facilities for such isolation and treatment. Necessary action to send the samples to National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune or any other appropriate lab for genomic sequencing will be initiated at the facility level.
  - a. If the report of the sequencing is consistent with the current SARS-CoV-2 virus genome circulating in the country; the ongoing treatment protocol including home isolation/treatment at facility level as per case severity may be followed.
  - b. If the genomic sequencing indicates the presence of new variant of SARS-CoV-2 then the patient will continue to remain in a separate isolation unit. While necessary treatment as per the existing protocol will be given, the patient shall be tested on 14<sup>th</sup> day, after having tested positive in the initial test. In case the sample is found positive on 14<sup>th</sup> day, further sample may be taken until his two consecutive samples taken 24 hours apart are tested negative.
  - Those who are found negative on testing with RT-PCR at the airport would be advised quarantine at home and followed up as detailed in Part-C.
  - 4. The concerned airlines shall ensure that prior to check-in, the traveler is explained about this SOP. In-flight announcements must also be made explaining the relevant information to the passengers. Relevant information in this regard shall be prominently displayed in arrival area and waiting area of the airports.
  - Adequate arrangements for passengers waiting for their RT-PCR test results duly following effective isolation may also be made at the airports in conjunction with the airport authorities.

#### Part B

# SOP for Bureau of Immigration (BOI)

 The State-wise passenger manifest of the flights from UK landing at various International airports in India for the past 4 weeks (from 25th November 2020 to 23th December 2020) shall

- be conveyed by the Bureau of Immigration to State Government/Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) so that this data would be provided to the surveillance teams.
- 2. Bureau of Immigration shall share these manifest at the idsp-npo@nic.in and designated e-mails provided by the respective State Governments.
- The data of manifests provided by Bureau of Immigration will be supplemented by the online Self-declaration Forms available on 'AIR SUVIDHA' portal.

#### Part C

# SOP for Surveillance by State Governments/ Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP)

- 1. All the contacts\* (without any exception) of those travelers who arrived at various airports on 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020 and tested positive would be subjected to institutional quarantine in separate quarantine centers and would be tested as per ICMR guidelines (or earlier if the passenger develops any symptoms suggestive of COVID-19) as per Clause 1 in Part A. Contacts testing positive shall be subjected to activities mentioned in Clause 2 of Part A.
  - (\*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)
- 2. The list of travelers (travelling between 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> December) who are found RT-PCR negative at airport testing shall be shared with the respective States by the Central unit of IDSP (facilitated by APHO/ BOI). They shall be advised for quarantine at home and tested as per ICMR guidelines (or earlier if the passenger develops any symptoms suggestive of COVID-19) as per Clause 1 of Part A. Their monitoring would be ensured by respective State Governments/IDSP. Those found positive shall be subjected to activities mentioned in Clause 2 of Part A.
- 3. Those international travelers from UK who arrived in India from 25<sup>th</sup> November to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020 (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> week from 25<sup>th</sup> November) will be contacted by District Surveillance Officers and advised to self-monitor their health. If anyone amongst them develops symptoms, they will be tested by RT PCR as detailed in Clause 1of Part A.

- If tested positive, genetic sequencing will be done. If the results are consistent with current circulating SARS-CoV2, action as contained in Clause 2(a) of Part A will be followed.
- If the results of genomic sequencing are consistent with new variant, then action contained in Clause 2(b) of Part A will be followed.
- 4. The list of international travelers who arrived in India, as described in the scope above, between 9th December to 23th December (3th & 4th week) will be shared with respective State / District Surveillance Officers for daily follow up till 14 days after their arrival in India.
- 5. Passenger will be provided following advice during first visit / contact by health care provider:
  - a. You will also receive daily calls/visit from State health officials to ask your health status for the day, kindly cooperate with them.
  - b. You are requested to self-monitor for development of symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 i.e. Fever, Cough, Difficulty in breathing for 28 days from the date of arrival from UK.
  - c. In case you develop symptoms (fever, cough, difficulty in breathing), put on a mask immediately, isolate yourself at home, and inform District Surveillance Officer or contact National (1075) or State Helpline.
- District Surveillance Officer has to ensure daily follow up of passengers under observation for 28 days starting from date of arrival.
- 7. For all travellers, listed in Para 4 above, District Surveillance Officer shall facilitate testing (irrespective of previous testing at the place of origin or at the airport of arrival) with RT-PCR. In case the passengers have moved to locations outside the city of arrival, intimation should be sent to the concerned District/ State for needful as above.
  - a. Those who test positive shall be isolated in an institutional isolation facility in a separate (isolation) unit by the respective State health authorities and necessary action as in Clause 2(a) Part A will be followed.
  - b. If the genomic sequencing indicates the new variant of SARS-CoV-2 then action as in Clause 2 (b) Part A will be followed.

- 8. All the community contacts (without any exception) of those travelers who have tested positive would be subjected to institutional quarantine in separate Quarantine Centers and would be tested between 5-10<sup>th</sup> day as per current ICMR guidelines using RT-PCR as in Clause 1 of part A (or earlier if the passenger develops any symptoms suggestive of COVID-19). Community contacts testing positive shall be subjected to activities as in Clause 2 of Part A.
- 9. Information regarding any passenger covered within the scope of this SOP, who travels to another State will be immediately notified to the concerned State Health Authority. If any passenger is not traceable initially or during any duration while being followed up should be immediately notified to Central Surveillance Unit of IDSP by the District Surveillance Officer.

# Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

# **Guidelines for International Arrivals**

(in supersession of guidelines issued on the subject dated 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020)

# **Before Planning for Travel**

- All travellers should submit self-declaration form on the online portal (www.newdelhiairport.in) at least 72 hours before the scheduled travel or physically after arrival at the respective health counters.
- ii. They should also give an undertaking on the portal or otherwise to Ministry of Civil Aviation, Govt. 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 facility / home quarantine/ self-monitoring of their health for 14 days, or as warranted.
- iii. Only for compelling reasons/ cases of human distress such as pregnancy, death in family, serious illness and parent(s) with children of the age of 10 years or below, home quarantine may be permitted for 14 days.
- iv. If they wish to seek such exemption under para (iii) above, they shall apply to the online portal (<a href="www.newdelhiairport.in">www.newdelhiairport.in</a>) at least 72 hours before boarding. The decision taken by the government as communicated on the online portal will be final.
- v. Travelers may also seek exemption from institutional quarantine by submitting a negative RT-PCR test report. This test should have been conducted within 72 hrs prior to undertaking the journey. The test report should be uploaded on the portal for consideration. Each passenger shall also submit a declaration with respect to authenticity of the report and will be liable for criminal prosecution, if found otherwise. The test report could also be produced upon arrival at the point of entry airport in India.
- vi. International passengers arriving without an RT-PCR negative certificate and wishing to seek exemption from institutional quarantine may also avail the facility available at the airports to undergo RT-PCR testing (where such provisions exist)
- vii. All such passengers opting for exemption from institutional quarantine as in para (v) & (vi) shall undertake self-monitoring of their health and will be exempted from quarantine.
- viii. International passengers arriving without RT-PCR negative certificate and not opting for RT PCR test at airport (if facility is available) /arriving at an airport where testing facility is not available will have to undergo mandatory 7 days' institutional quarantine and 7 days' home quarantine.

## **Before Boarding**

- ix. Dos and Don'ts shall be provided along with ticket to the travellers by the airlines/agencies concerned.
- x. All passengers shall be advised to download Aarogya Setu app on their mobile devices.
- xi. At the time of boarding the flight, only asymptomatic travellers will be allowed to board after thermal screening.
- xii. Suitable precautionary measures such as environmental sanitation and disinfection shall be ensured at the airports.
- xiii. During boarding all possible measures to ensure physical distancing are to be ensured.

## **During Travel**

- xiv. Travellers who had not filled in self-declaration form on the portal shall fill the same in duplicate in the flight and a copy of the same will be given to Health and Immigration officials present at the airport.
- xv. Suitable announcement about COVID-19 including precautionary measures to be followed shall be made at airports and in flights and during transit.
- xvi. While on board the flight, required precautions such as wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. are to be observed by airline staff, crew and all passengers.

#### On arrival

- xvii. Deboarding should be done ensuring physical distancing.
- xviii. 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 (or a copy of physical self-declaration form to be submitted) to the airport health staff.
- xix. The passengers found to be symptomatic during screening shall be immediately isolated and taken to medical facility as per health protocol.
- xx. Post thermal screening, the passengers who have been exempted from institutional quarantine [para (iii) and (iv) above] (decision as indicated on the online portal in advance) will show the same to the respective State Counters on their cell phones/other mode before being allowed home quarantine for 14 days.
- xxi. Post thermal screening, the passengers who have RT-PCR negative certificates already with them [(para (v) and (vi))] shall be exempt from quarantine and shall be allowed to leave and undertake self-monitoring of their health for 14 days.
- xxii. All such passengers will also be provided the list of the national and state level surveillance officers and the respective call centre numbers, so as to inform state/national Call Centre in case they develop symptoms at any time during the quarantine or self-monitoring of their health.

- xxiii. The remaining passengers shall be taken to suitable institutional quarantine facilities, to be arranged by the respective State/ UT Governments to undergo mandatory 7 days' institutional quarantine and 7 days' home quarantine.
- xxiv. These passengers shall be kept under institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 7 days.
  - a. They shall be tested as per ICMR protocol.
  - If they are assessed as asymptomatic / pre-symptomatic/ very mild cases, they
    will be allowed home isolation or isolated in the Covid Care Centre (both public
    & private facilities) as appropriate.
  - c. Those having mild/ moderate/ severe symptoms will be admitted to dedicated Covid Health facilities and managed accordingly.
  - d. If found negative, they shall be advised to self-monitor their health for additional 7 days.

## International passengers arriving at seaports/land ports

- xxv. International Passengers 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.
- xxvi. Such passengers shall submit the self-declaration form to the concerned authorities of Government of India at seaports/land ports on arrival.

NOTE: States can have any additional restrictions imposed with regards to quarantine and isolation as per their field assessment post arrival of passengers in the state concerned.