

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF GREATER MUMBAI

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C I R C U L A R

QUARANTINE GUIDELINES FOR PASSENGERS ARRIVING FROM Middle-East / European countries

Ref : Circular from the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI
No. Z-21020/16/2020-PH dated 21st December 2020.

It has been reported that distinct Phylogenetic cluster of SARs-CoV-2 (named lineage B.1.1.7) has been detected. This SARs-CoV-2 is spreading and growing rapidly in United Kingdom (UK). In view of this, all the flights originating from UK into India have been suspended temporarily w.e.f. 23.59 hours, 22nd December 2020 till 31st December 2020 (23.59 hours) by Government of India vide the above referred circular.

In the meanwhile, from 22nd December, 2020 the following directives are issued under Epidemic Disease Act, 1897 and The Disaster Management Act, 2005 to be followed at the Mumbai International Airport as a measure of caution to prevent the spread of the new mutant Corona Virus in Mumbai.

1. All the passengers arriving from Middle-East / European countries should be subjected to mandatory institutional quarantine at their own cost, in the nearby hotels for seven days.
2. If the passenger is **found symptomatic** on arrival, then he will be shifted directly to G.T. Hospital, Fort, Mumbai for further evaluation and treatment.
3. On arrival, no RT-PCR test will be conducted. However, RT-PCR test will be conducted during 5th to 7th day at the hotels at the cost of the quarantined passengers. If the report of the test is found negative, the passenger would be discharged from the institutional quarantine after 5 to 7 days with the advice of 7 days mandatory Home Quarantine. If the test result is found positive but the

passenger is asymptomatic then he will be continued in the same hotel in quarantine or in the COVID-19 Hospital till 14 days.

4. Arrangements to be made by BEST to transport all the passengers coming from these countries to the hotels.
5. Arrangements of approximately, 4000 rooms will be required daily for passengers arriving from these countries. The charges of the hotels will be borne by the passengers as per their choice of hotels.
6. The passports of all the passengers will be deposited with the hotel and returned at the time of discharge from the hotel quarantine.
7. PPE kits to be provided to Immigration Officers as well as everyone working on the airport by Mumbai International Airport Ltd.
8. The arrangement for the testing of these passengers to be made through linking of private laboratories to the quarantine hotels and the same will be charged to the passengers.
9. Collector MSD will monitor the operations and depute suitable teams for its monitoring.
10. These guidelines are applicable to all passengers arriving at Mumbai International Airport from Middle-East and European Countries irrespective of their further travel plans, till further orders.


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Municipal Commissioner