## MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF GREATER MUMBAI NO.MGC/A/5264 dated 21/12/2220

## CIRCULAR

## QUARANTINE GUIDELINES FOR PASSENGERS ARRIVING FROM UNITED KINGDOM

Ref : Circular from the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI No.Z-21020/16/2020-PH dated 21<sup>st</sup> 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, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 till 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 (23.59 hours) by Government of India vide the above referred circular.

. In the meanwhile, from 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

- All the passengers arriving from UK, directly or through indirect flights 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 Seven Hills Hospital for further evaluation and treatment.
- 3. On arrival, no RT-PCR test will be conducted. However, RT-PCR test will be conducted during 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> 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 asymptomatic then he will be continued in the same hotel in quarantine or in the COVID-19 Hospital till 14 days.

- Arrangements to be made by BEST to transport all the passengers coming from UK by direct or indirect flights to the hotels.
- 5. Arrangements of approximately, 800 rooms will be required immediately on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 for passengers arriving from U.K. The charges of the hotels will be borne by the passengers as per the 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.
- 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 UK, irrespective of their further travel plans.

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