

# Guidelines for International Arrivals

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**For all travellers except those coming through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East**



## Planning for Travel (1/2)

All travellers to submit self-declaration form online on Air Suvidha Portal ([www.newdelhiairport.in](http://www.newdelhiairport.in)) before the scheduled travel

Upload a negative RT-PCR report, conducted within 72 hrs prior to undertaking the journey & also submit a declaration with respect to authenticity of the report

Give an undertaking on the Air Suvidha Portal or to Ministry of Civil Aviation through concerned airlines before the journey, to abide by the decision of concerned authority to undergo home quarantine/ self-monitoring of health for 14 days



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## Planning for Travel (2/2)

Arrival in India without negative report to be allowed only for those traveling in the exigency of death in the family

To seek such exemption travellers shall apply to the online portal ([www.newdelhiairport.in](http://www.newdelhiairport.in)) at least 72 hrs before boarding

The decision taken by the govt as communicated on the online portal will be final



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## Before Boarding

Do's & Don'ts to be provided along with ticket to travellers by the airlines/agencies concerned

Boarding to be allowed only to those passengers who have filled in the Self Declaration Form online & uploaded the negative RT-PCR test report

Only asymptomatic travellers will be allowed to board the flight after thermal screening.

All passengers to be advised to download Aarogya Setu app

Suitable precautionary measures such as environmental sanitation & disinfection to be ensured at the airports

During boarding all, physical distancing to be ensured



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## During Travel

Suitable announcement about COVID-19 including precautionary measures to be made at airports and in flights and during transit

While on board required precautions such as wearing of masks, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. to be observed by airline staff, crew & all passengers

## On Arrival <sup>(1/2)</sup>

Deboarding to be done ensuring physical distancing

Thermal screening of all the passengers at the airport. The self-declaration form filled online to be shown to the airport health staff

Passengers found to be symptomatic during screening to be immediately isolated and taken to medical facility as per health protocol



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## On Arrival (2/2)

Passengers who have been exempted for pre-arrival RT-PCR testing will show the same to the respective State counters

They will be prioritized for sample collection in the designated area, samples collected and permitted to exit the airport

They shall monitor their health for 14 days (subject to negative test report of the sample taken at the Airport)

Passengers who have uploaded RT-PCR negative certificates online to be allowed to leave the airport/take transit flights and will be required to undertake self-monitoring of their health for 14 days

They will also be provided the list of the National & State level surveillance officers & the respective call centre numbers, in case they develop symptoms any time during the quarantine or self-monitoring of their health



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## International travellers arriving at seaports/land ports



Travellers arriving through seaports/land ports to undergo the same protocol, except that facility for online registration is not available for such passengers currently

Travellers to submit the self-declaration form to the concerned authorities of Government of India at seaports/land ports on arrival



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## For all travellers coming/transiting through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East (1/5)



All travellers to submit Self-Declaration Form (SDF) online at [www.newdelhiairport.in](http://www.newdelhiairport.in) before the scheduled travel and will be required to declare their travel history (of past 14 days)

While filling SDF, passengers need to select:

Whether they plan to disembark at the arrival airport or take further flights to reach their final destination in India

The passengers will need to display the transit receipt SDF to State authority/Govt officials at the airport for segregation



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## For all travellers coming/transiting through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East (2/5)



All the passengers to carry a negative RT-PCR report, conducted within 72 hours prior to undertaking the journey

To also be uploaded on the online portal ([www.newdelhiairport.in](http://www.newdelhiairport.in))

Airlines to allow boarding only to those passengers who have filled in the SDF online & uploaded the negative RT-PCR test report

Travellers will be segregated in-flight or while disembarking to facilitate the authorities to follow the due protocol

Relevant information to be prominently displayed in arrival area and waiting area of the airports of arrival





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## For all travellers coming/transiting through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East (3/5)



All travellers subjected to self-paid confirmatory molecular tests on arrival at the Indian airports concerned (port of entry)

Adequate arrangements to be provided for passengers at the airport for confirmatory molecular test & test results duly following effective isolation

Streamlined systems at the concerned airports for testing to ensure seamless sampling, testing & waiting arrangements

Airports can provide options for online booking of the confirmatory molecular test, offline booking, and digital payment facilities to be promoted



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## For all travellers coming/transiting through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East (4/5)



Sample collection cum waiting lounge to follow all sanitization & physical distancing related guidelines issued by Health Ministry

Concerned States/UTs to set up help desks at concerned airports to facilitate implementation of the SOP

Transit travellers who tested negative, to be allowed to take their connecting flights and to remain home quarantine for 7 days & regularly followed up by the concerned State/District IDSP

To be tested after 7 days and if found negative will be released from quarantine

All those tested positive to be isolated in an institutional isolation facility



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## For all travellers coming/transiting through flights originating from UK, Europe & Middle East (5/5)



Travellers to give a sample at designated area and exit airport only after confirmation of negative test report

All other travellers from Europe & Middle East (other than those from Brazil, South Africa & UK) to give samples at the designated area & exit the airport

If the report is negative, to be advised to self-monitor their health for 14 days

If the test report is positive, they will undergo treatment as per standard health protocol



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## Travellers from Brazil, South Africa and UK, testing positive (1/3)



To be isolated in an institutional isolation facility at an isolation unit coordinated by the respective State Health Authorities

If the report of the sequencing is consistent with the current SARS-CoV-2 virus genome, the ongoing treatment protocol including home isolation/treatment at facility level as per case severity may be followed

If the genomic sequencing indicates the presence of a new variant of SARS-CoV-2, then the patient will continue to remain in a separate isolation unit & necessary treatment as per the existing protocol will be given

The patient shall be tested on the 14th day, after having tested positive & will be kept in the isolation facility till his sample is tested negative



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## Travellers from Brazil, South Africa and UK, testing positive (2/3)



Information regarding any passenger covered within the scope of this SOP, who has moved to another State will be immediately notified to the concerned State Health Authority

If any passenger is not traceable while being followed up should be immediately notified to the Central Surveillance Unit of IDSP by the DSO\*

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## Travellers from Brazil, South Africa and UK, testing positive (3/3)



State-wise passenger manifest of the flights originating from Europe & Middle East and landing at Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad & Chennai airports to be conveyed by the Bureau of Immigration to State Govt/IDSP

This data would be provided to the surveillance teams & the data will be supplemented by the online Self-Declaration Forms

All the contacts of travellers who test positive to be subjected to institutional quarantine & would be tested on the 7th day (or early if they develop symptoms)

Contacts testing positive shall undergo treatment as per standard health protocol



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## All International Travellers on Short Stay



International travellers on short stay (less than 14 days) and who have tested negative and remain symptom free to undergo all the procedures of COVID testings and shall be permitted to leave India under proper intimation to their District/State health authorities, subject to fulfilling the requirement of the airlines & destination country

