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Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
(Disaster Management Cell)

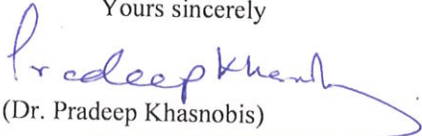
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 31st August, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Please refer to guidelines on international arrival (<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/Guidelinesforinternationalarrivals17022021.pdf>), issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare on 17th February 2021 issued in view of detection of more transmissible variants, wherein international passengers were subjected to pre-arrival RT-PCR testing within 72 hours before boarding. As mandated under the said guidelines, only asymptomatic passengers were allowed to board the flight to India

2. Travelers through flights originating from United Kingdom, Europe and Middle East were additionally mandated to be tested on arrival in India through RT-PCR test.
3. In view of reporting of new mutations in SARS-CoV-2 and rising incidence of Variants of Concern (VoCs) and Variants of Interest (VoIs), it has been decided to include the following countries in the scope of part B (in addition to the Countries already mentioned in the said Part B) of MoHFW's Guidelines on International Arrival:
 - a. South Africa
 - b. Bangladesh
 - c. Botswana,
 - d. China,
 - e. Mauritius,
 - f. New Zealand,
 - g. Zimbabwe
4. The amended guidelines shall come into effect from 00.00 Hrs (IST) of 3rd September 2021.
5. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely


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