

No.25022/24/2020-F.V/F.I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
Foreigners Division

Sey. Disaster Man

Chief Secretary  
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Dated the May 07<sup>th</sup>, 2020

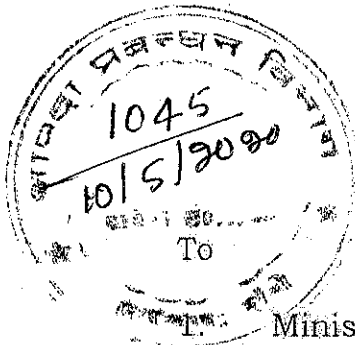
**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub: Visa & Travel restrictions in response to COVID-19 - Evacuation of Indian nationals stranded abroad - regarding**

The undersigned is directed to refer MHA's OM No.25022/24/2020-F.V/F.I dated 17.04.2020 and O.M.No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 01.05.2020 and 05.05.2020 and to say that the matter has been considered further by Government of India.

2. It has been decided that the travel restrictions, imposed by MHA vide O.M. dated 17.04.2020 referred to above, shall continue to remain in place till prohibition on international air travel of passengers to/from India is lifted by the Government of India. Consequently, all incoming passenger traffic into India through any of the 107 immigration check posts shall remain suspended till prohibition on international air travel of passengers to or from India is lifted by the Government of India. However, no such travel restrictions would apply to any aircraft, ship, train or any other vehicle deployed for bringing back Indian nationals stranded abroad vide MHA's Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 05.05.2020. Similarly, no such travel restrictions would apply to persons allowed to travel from India to other countries vide the same order of MHA. Secondly, these travel restrictions also do not apply to any movement of cargo or goods and supplies in any vehicle, aircraft, ship, train etc. and to their crew, sailor, driver, helper cleaner etc. However, they shall be subject to thorough medical screening for COVID-19, as per the extant guidelines of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.



*(Signature)*

(Pratap Singh Rawat)

Under Secretary (Foreigners)

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Ministry of Health & Family Welfare [Kind Attn: Shri Sanjeeva Kumar, Special Secretary], Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 108.

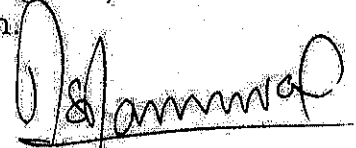
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2. Ministry of Shipping (**Kind Attn: Shri Sanjay Bandopadhyay, Additional Secretary**), Transport Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.
3. **Shri Dammu Ravi, Additional Secretary and Coordinator (COVID-19)**, Ministry of External Affairs.
4. Bureau of Immigration (**Kind Attn: Shri Rajeev Ranjan Verma, Additional Director**), East Block, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
5. Ministry of External Affairs (**Shri Vikram Doraiswamy, Additional Secretary**) Jawahar Lal Nehru Bhawan, New Delhi
6. Cabinet Secretariat (**Shri Pankaj Aggarwal, Joint Secretary**).
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8. Ministry of External Affairs [**Dr. Adarsh Swaika, Joint Secretary (CPV)**], Patiala House Annexe, New Delhi.
9. Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary of Home Department of all State Governments & Union Territory Administrations.
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11. Joint Secretary, Disaster Management Division, MHA, NDCC II Building, New Delhi.

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1. PS to Hon'ble HM.
2. Sr. PPS to Home Secretary.
3. DDG (Media), MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
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