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Sub: Operation of Schedule International Flights To/From Bangladesh during COVID-19 Pandemic.

1. With immediate effect, scheduled international passenger flights to/from China, Malaysia, Maldives, Qatar, Sri Lanka, Turkey, UAE and UK are permitted to be operated as per the schedule recently approved by CAAB.

2. Physical distancing of personnel on duty at the airport and disinfection procedure for passenger, crew, aircraft etc. shall be complied by all concerned as per the CAAB published latest directives.

3. Following an inter ministerial meeting minutes issued vide 49.00.0000.024.00.006.20.775, Date: 30 July 2020, the decision of COVID-19 negative certificate for all outgoing passenger has been relaxed. Now onward, passengers intending to travel abroad must possess all valid travel documents, visas, health/ medical/ ‘COVID-19 negative/test certificate’ and other necessary documents etc. as per the requirement and instruction of the competent authority of the respective country of destination. When COVID-19 certificate is mandatory to travel to any country, the passengers shall obtain certificate from government authorized test facilities as per instruction vide letter no. 45.00.0000.160.99.002(Part-7) 665, Date: 16 July 2020 issued by the Health Services Division. Any query regarding COVID-19 test on the purpose of travel abroad, cell phone no. +8801726-921245, email: tanzia1086@gmail.com may be contacted.

4. Foreign nationals coming to Bangladesh with valid visas will be required to produce a medical certificate (with English translation) to be obtained within 72 hours of travel, indicating that he/she is ‘COVID-19 Negative’. The individual needs to submit these certificates on arrival at the entry point (airport/ sea port/ land port) in Bangladesh. However, Note Verbale no. 19.00.0000.530.68.000.20-429, Date: 18 June 2020, issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bangladesh will also remain in force. Children below the age of 10 years is exempted from the provision of this paragraph.

5. If any Bangladeshi or Bangladesh origin passengers possess an NVR and come to Bangladesh without the required ‘COVID-19 Negative’ certificate, he/she would be institutionally quarantined for 14 (Fourteen) days. Children below the age of 10 years is exempted from the provision of this paragraph.

6. If any Bangladeshi or Bangladesh origin passengers possess an NVR and come to Bangladesh with the ‘COVID-19 Negative’ certificate, he/she would be home/self-quarantined for 14 (Fourteen) days. However, if he/she is diagnosed with any symptom of Corona Virus on his/her arrival, he/she would be institutionally quarantined in for 14 (Fourteen) days. Children below the age of 10 years is exempted from the provision of this paragraph.
7. All other flights shall be conducted following usual procedure except for the Relief/ Humanitarian (arranged/ offered by State to State), Repatriation, Citizen Evacuation, Diplomatic flight requests shall be made to Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh through Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bangladesh.

8. Any condition and instruction, in regard to air travel, imposed by Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bangladesh and any other competent authority of Bangladesh time to time, shall be applicable.

9. Previous circulars of CAAB issued on the above mentioned subject is hereby cancelled.

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