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**REVISED COVID-19 GUIDELINES CONCERNING INBOUND TRAVEL TO PAKISTAN**

This is in connection to our letter of even number dated September 24, 2021, providing Categorized Country List concerning inbound air travel to Pakistan and our letter of even number dated August 03, 2021, providing revised testing guidelines for inbound travel to Pakistan.

2. As per the instructions of the Competent Authority, International inbound flight operations will be allowed to resume without restrictions as to inbound capacity with effect from November 10, 2021. Accordingly, the following revised guidelines for inbound travel to Pakistan will be applicable with effect from **November 05, 2021, 0001 hours:**

**a) Vaccination Regime for Inbound Travel to Pakistan**

Only fully vaccinated passengers will be allowed to undertake inbound travel to Pakistan. Specific terms and conditions along-with admissibility of vaccination criteria are contained in our letter of even number dated September 30 and October 04, 2021 on the subject of Air Travel Vaccination Regime to/from/within Pakistan.

**b) Pre-departue PCR Testing**

All passengers of age 06 years and above will be required to possess a mandatory negative PCR Test Result conducted within the 72 hours prior to commencement of travel to Pakistan.

**c) On-Arrival Rapid Antigen Testing**

- i. Passengers of age 06 years and above and **travelling on direct flights from Cat - C Countries and High Risk Countries only (Annex – A)** will be required to undertake Rapid Antigen Testing upon arrival in Pakistan, whereby negative testing passengers will be allowed to proceed and positive testing passengers will be required to undertake mandatory 10 day Quarantine at designated locations.
- ii. For such quarantined passengers, a PCR Test result will be conducted on day 08 of such Quarantine and will be allowed to proceed in case of negative PCR test result.
- iii. In addition to passengers mentioned at Para – c (i) above, selective flights / symptomatic passengers from **Cat – B Countries** will also undergo rapid Antigen Testing upon arrival in Pakistan, as deemed necessary by the Health Authorities.

- d) **Categorized Country List for Inbound Travel to Pakistan**
- i. For **Cat – B Countries** including High Risk Countries, there will be no inbound travel restrictions.
  - ii. For **Cat – C Countries**, inbound travel to Pakistan will continue to remain banned and only allowed subject to grant of special authorization from the NCOC Exemptions Committee. However, Pakistanis already travelled / travelling to Cat – C Countries on short term visa and deportees will be allowed to return to Pakistan from Cat – C Countries without requirement of special exemption and while in compliance of all relevant / applicable COVID-19 and other requirements / rules / regulations.
3. Inbound travel / testing protocols in-vogue stand amended to the above extent only. Additionally, Air Travel Vaccination Regime implemented vide our letter of even number dated September 30, 2021, along-with any and all COVID-19 related SOPs / Guidelines / Directives will also continue to take effect.
4. All concerned are directed to ensure strict compliance.

  
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**CATEGORIZED COUNTRY LISTS CONCERNING INBOUND TRAVEL TO PAKISTAN EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 05, 2021**

**CAT – B**

ALL COUNTRIES (**EXCEPT CAT – C**) INCLUDING HIGH RISK COUNTRIES ARE PLACED IN CAT – B

**HIGH RISK COUNTRIES**

<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Country</b>
1	Afghanistan	4	Iran
2	Ethiopia	5	Philippines
3	Germany	6	Russia

**CAT – C**

INBOUND TRAVEL TO PAKISTAN FROM CAT – C COUNTRIES IS BANNED AND ONLY ALLOWED SUBJECT TO GRANT OF SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION BY THE NCOC EXEMPTIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Country</b>
1	Armenia	6	Mongolia
2	Bulgaria	7	Slovenia
3	Costa Rica	8	Thailand
4	Iraq	9	Trinidad & Tobago
5	Mexico	10	Ukraine