



ADVISORY

INCLUSION OF PAKISTAN, NEPAL, SRI LANKA, AND BANGLADESH IN COUNTRIES WITH IMPOSED TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, and in addition to the existing policies and travel restrictions imposed under IATF-MEID Resolution No. 112 series of 2021 dated 21 April 2021, please be guided by the following revised guidelines:

Travel-Restricted Countries

India

Pakistan
Nepal
Sri Lanka
Bangladesh

****Effective 0001H 07 May 2021 to 2359H 14 May 2021)***

- A. ALL arriving passengers coming from and those who have been to the above travel-restricted countries within the last fourteen (14) days shall **NOT be allowed entry**;
- B. For those coming from **Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh**, arriving before 0001H of 07 May 2021 Manila time, ALL passengers shall undergo an absolute fourteen (14)-day facility-based quarantine and required a negative Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) result;
- C. Those who: **(a) transited or who have a mere lay-over at the airport of travel-restricted countries** (lay-over only at the airport and with no immigration admission at said countries); and **(b) NOT coming from these countries** may be allowed entry, PROVIDED they are authorized to enter the country thru relevant resolutions of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) and subjected to existing testing and quarantine protocols issued by the Department of Health (DOH).

Existing guidelines for arriving crew member/s shall still be observed.

The foregoing is without prejudice to the exercise of the mandate of the Bureau of Immigration in Arrival and Departure formalities.

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Relative to the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 05 May 2021 regarding the *Imposition of Travel Restrictions on Travelers from Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh to Prevent the Entry of the SARS-COV-2 B.1.617 Variant First Reported in India*, please be guided by the following revised guidelines, to wit:

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- A. All passengers coming from or who have been to **Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka** within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines shall be prohibited from entering the country effective 0001H of 07 May 2021 Manila until 2359H 14 May 2021.
- B. Effective immediately, all passengers coming from or who have been to Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh, within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, arriving before 0001H of 07 May 2021 Manila time, shall not be prohibited from entering the Philippines, but shall be required to undergo an absolute facility-based fourteen (14)-day quarantine period notwithstanding a negative Reverse Transcription -Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) result.
- C. Filipinos and foreign passengers merely transiting through India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh shall be subject to the following rules:
 1. All passengers, whether Filipinos or foreigners, merely transiting through these countries shall not be deemed as having come from or having been to such country, provided that they stayed in the airport the whole time and were not cleared for entry into these countries by their immigration authorities; and
 2. Upon arrival in the Philippines, passengers covered by the immediately preceding paragraph need not complete a full 14-day facility-based quarantine, but shall comply with existing testing and quarantine protocols of the national government.
- D. All specimen from travelers coming from India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh that turn positive upon testing in the Philippines shall undergo Whole Genome Sequencing. All close contacts must undergo facility-based quarantine for fourteen (14) days, and contact tracing shall expand up to the third generation contacts.

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