CIRCULAR

In order to prevent the spread of COVID 19 (Novel Corona Virus 2019) disease in India, all scheduled Indian and foreign airlines engaged in international air transportation to/from India are directed as under:

i. No scheduled commercial international passenger shall be allowed to land in India from 22 March 2020 for one week. This means that no scheduled international commercial passenger aircraft shall take off from any foreign airport for any airport in India, after 0001 hrs GMT of March 22, 2020 (0530 hrs Indian Standard Time (IST) and 0800 hrs Singapore Standard Time (SST) of March 22, 2020). These instructions shall remain in force till 0001 hrs GMT of March 29, 2020.

ii. A maximum travel time of 20 hours is permissible for such commercial passenger aircraft to land in India.

iii. As such, no incoming scheduled international commercial passenger aircraft shall be allowed to disembark its passengers on Indian soil (Foreigner or Indian) after 2001 hrs GMT of March 22 (0131 hrs IST and 0401 hrs SST of March 23, 2020).

iv. These instructions are in addition to the travel restrictions/advisories already issued and under implementation.

2. Until the ban on international commercial flight comes into effect, it is further stressed that no scheduled international commercial airline shall carry or disembark passengers on Indian soil from the following countries:

i. China, Iran, EU, EU FTA, Turkey, UK (w.e.f. 1200 hrs GMT of March 18) and;
ii. Afghanistan, Philippines and Malaysia (in force from March 17).

3. All scheduled Indian and foreign airlines engaged in international air transportation to/from India, therefore, are directed to follow the above instructions.

4. For those resident in Singapore, please also follow the travel and other advisories issued by Government of Singapore.

High Commission of India,
Singapore
20 March 2020

*****