<u>Air Travel Guidelines from Singapore to India (after 29 November 2021)</u>

Vande Bharat Mission (VBM) Evacuation Flights

VBM evacuation flights from Singapore have been discontinued w.e.f 29 November 2021.

<u>Note</u>: - Flights between Singapore and India are now governed under <u>Bilateral Air Travel Bubble</u>. Flights designated as VBM flights (earlier) are now being operated as Commercial flights by Air India. It may be noted that <u>Passengers who have booked VBM flights (earlier) will not be affected</u>.

Air travel between Singapore and India

Commercial flights are now operating between Singapore and India. Both VTL (Vaccinated Travel Lane) and non-VTL flights are being operated by airlines of India and Singapore. These flights are operating under the bilateral air travel arrangement agreed between the two countries.

Procedure for Purchase of VTL / non-VTL tickets

All tickets for travel between Singapore and India may be purchased from the airlines (Operative presently: Air India, Indigo, Vistara, Spice Jet and Singapore Airlines). High Commission of India has no role in allocation of air tickets.

No Requirement of Registration with HCI

With the commencement of the new travel arrangements, there exist No requirement for registration with the HCI, Singapore for purchase of air tickets.

Covid-related Pre-Departure Procedures

Pre-Travel Test. *All passengers* travelling from Singapore to *any destination(s)* in *India* are to undergo pre-travel COVID-19 RT-PCR test within 72 hours prior undertaking the journey.

Documents to be Submitted Online. All passengers are required to perform the following documentation online on the *Air Suvidha* portal

https://www.newdelhiairport.in/airsuvidha/aphoregistration before travel: -

- (i) **Submission of 'Self Declaration Form'**. This is required to be performed *after ticketing*, since the portal requires PNR number of passengers as one of the mandatory data entry fields.
- (ii) Uploading Negative COVID-19 RT-PCR Test Result (for sample collected within preceding 72 hours of scheduled ETD). Each passenger shall also submit a declaration with respect to authenticity of the report and will be liable for criminal prosecution, if found otherwise.

The complete guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) for international passengers travelling to India may be seen at

 $\frac{https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforInternationalarrival 28112}{o21.pdf}$

Quarantine and Testing Requirements on arrival in India

The Algorithm for travellers to India may be seen at https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/Algorithmforrevisedguidelinesforinternationalarrivals28thNovember2021.pdf

The detailed guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for international travellers coming to India may be seen at

https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforInternationalarrival28112 021.pdf

The list of countries referred to in the MoHFW guidelines may be seen at

https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/ListofCountriestobereferredtoincontext ofGuidelinesforinternationalarrivalsdated11thNovember2021updatedon 28112021ver4.pdf

These requirements are subject to regular change. Additional health and movement protocols / specific local guidelines at destination airports are often announced by respective State Governments and local administrations / health authorities. These remain dynamic based on the status of pandemic, as assessed by the local administration. Passengers are therefore advised to acquaint themselves with the latest applicable

regulations from their airlines and official websites of respective State Governments / Health Authorities and Airport Controlling Authorities.

According to the guidelines of the MoHFW, children **under 5 years of age** are exempted from both pre-and post-arrival testing.

Passengers on both VTL and non-VTL flights have to undergo the same procedures before departing and upon arrival in India.

No Exemption from pre-departure RT-PCR test

As per the regulations issued by the Indian Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, an RT PCR negative test certificate is required before boarding. (https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforInternationalArrival11th November2021.pdf)

<u>Note</u>: - Air India / other airlines will not allow boarding of passengers travelling to India without the RT PCR negative certificate. The High Commission also has not been given any authority to exempt passengers from the requirement of the negative RT PCR test.

Travel from India to Singapore

Procedures for Travel to Singapore may be seen at the Singapore ICA website https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/arriving/overview

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