

Ref: Circular No: BGA/Admin/2021/ 97

07 July 2021

To: All Hon'ble Members of BGMEA

Subject: International Passenger Flight Operation To/From Bangladesh

Dear Sir,

Assalamu Alaikum.

Please find attached a copy of instruction regarding continuation of operation of International Passenger Flights to/from Bangladesh circulated by the Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh vide no. 30.31.0000.112.42.001.21-2768 dated on 05th July 2021. This is sent herewith for your kind information and necessary action.

Thanking you,

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Secretary General



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AIR TRANSPORTATION CIRCULAR: FSR-06/2021

SUB: INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER FLIGHT OPERATION TO/FROM BANGLADESH.

Ref: Air Transportation Circular: FSR-04/2021, issued on 01 June 2021.

1. Following the government guidance and instruction, with immediate effect until further notice, schedule passenger flights to/from Dhaka shall continue as per their approved time slots under Summer-2021 schedule. Mentionable that Air Bubble flights will remain suspended until further notice.

2. Transportation of passengers (please see the attachment for the Group of countries):

(i) For the Countries under Group-A:

No entry into Bangladesh (for the residents as point of origin) from this group of countries. Bangladeshi expatriate/ citizens visited (not residing) in the countries of this Group in previous 15 days of travel to Bangladesh, are allowed to travel to Bangladesh provided that they have the special approval/ authorization from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bangladesh. Bangladeshi Seafarers/Engineers of ships, has signed-off from the ships from the countries of this Group-A within previous 15 days of travel to Bangladesh, can return provided they possess proper & valid documentary evidences about their profession and signing-off. On arrival in Bangladesh, in both the cases above, they have to **complete a mandatory 14 (fourteen) days institutional quarantine** at government nominated hotels on passenger's own expenses. Proof of Hotel Booking shall be produced during check-in and the Airlines representative shall verify it before issuing the Boarding pass.

(ii) For the Countries under Group-B:

Passengers from this Group (as point of origin) are permitted to travel to/from Bangladesh. Incoming passengers already **have completed** dose (Double/Single dose as appropriate) of **COVID-19 vaccination** will have to complete **14 (fourteen) days strict home quarantine.** However, if any COVID-19 symptoms are detected/observed on arrival, he/she shall be sent to Government Authorized Hospital for further checkup or depending on the nature/intensity of the symptoms he/she will be sent to isolation at government nominated facilities or Hotel at passenger's own expenses.

Incoming passengers, who have not completed their COVID-19 vaccination doses, shall have to complete a mandatory 14 (fourteen) days institutional quarantine at government nominated hotels on passenger's own expenses. Proof of Hotel Booking shall be produced during check-in and the Airlines representative shall verify it before issuing the Boarding pass.

Passengers originating from this group of countries **can have transit via the countries of Group A**, provided that they are kept confined within the transit airport under the close supervision of the airlines.

(iii) For the Countries under Group-C (all other Countries except Group-A & B):

Incoming/outgoing passengers are allowed to/from these countries. Incoming Passengers will have to complete **14 (fourteen) days strict home quarantine.** However, if any COVID-19 symptoms are detected/observed on arrival, he/she shall be sent to Government Authorized Hospital for further checkup or depending on the nature/intensity of the symptoms, will be sent to isolation at government nominated facilities or Hotel at passenger's own expenses.

Passengers originating from this group of countries **can have transit via the countries of Group A and/or B,** provided that they are kept confined within the transit airport under the close supervision of the airlines.



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3. There is **no restriction on the outgoing passengers** to the countries of any group. However, **passengers shall also follow the latest restrictions or requirements** imposed by the transit/destination country(s). Airlines concerned shall keep all the passengers well informed about the requirements and formalities of origin / transit / destination countries well before of their travel.

4. All **incoming/outgoing** passengers, except the children below 10 years old, shall mandatorily possess **PCR based COVID-19 negative certificate.** The PCR test shall be done within 72 hours of the flight departure time.

5. Quarantine (institutional/home) formalities **for the diplomats** and their family members shall be as per the latest directives/decision of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bangladesh.

6. All home and institutional quarantine shall be ensured by the local administration and law enforcing agency(s).

7. Capacity Restrictions for Airlines:

(i) **Outgoing flights from Dhaka:** No capacity restriction for Narrow Bodied (Single Isle) aircraft. Wide Bodied (Twin Isle) aircraft shall carry a maximum of **280** passengers, except B777 and B747 aircraft shall be entitled to carry up to 350 passengers.

(ii) **Incoming flights to Dhaka:** A maximum of **140** passengers in the Narrow Bodied (Single Isle) aircraft and **200** passengers by the Wide Bodied (Twin Isle) aircraft can be carried.

(iii) **Incoming and outgoing flights:** In both the cases of Narrow-Body or Wide-Body aircraft, at least the last row of the economy class and one seat of business class (unless otherwise instructed) cabin shall be kept vacant for any suspected COVID- 19 positive passenger(s). Moreover, all health directives including disinfection, social distancing etc. procedure at the airport or in the aircraft shall strictly to be complied following the other directives of CAAB.

8. This circular will replace the circular under reference and the instructions contained in any other Civil Aviation Circular/Instruction/Directives, to the extent it is relevant, issued by CAAB in this regard.

Gp Capt Chy Žia Ul Kabir Member Flight Standard and Regulations.

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Group of Countries

Group-A:

- 1. Botswana
- 2. India
- 3. Mongolia
- 4. Namibia
- 5. Nepal
- 6. Panama
- 7. South Africa
- 8. Tunisia

Group-B:

- 1. Argentina
- 2. Brazil
- 3. Colombia
- 4. Costa Rica
- 5. Georgia
- 6. Kuwait
- 7. Malaysia
- 8. Maldives
- 9. Oman
- 10. UAE
- 11. UK
- 12. Uruguay

Group-C:

All other countries except in Group-A and Group-B above

