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Subject: Revision of Inbound Air Passengers Travel Categories

Our Letters No 801/A/Ops-III/NCOC-01 dated 05 December 2021 and No 801/A/Ops-III/NCOC-01 dated 19 December 2021 and 801/A/Ops III /NCOC-01 dated 28 December 2021 referred.

- 1. Category 'B' and Category 'C' have been abolished with effect from 0001 PST, 5 January 2022. However, following health protocols will continue to be applicable:
 - a. Vaccination is mandatory for all inbound passengers.
 - b. Negative PCR report before boarding (maximum 48 hrs old).
 - c. 100% RAT on arrival for all direct flights from Europe.
 - d. Minimum 50% flights from KSA, UAE and Qatar will undergo RAT on arrival.
 - e. Selected RAT on arrival for flights other than mentioned in **Para 2c and 2d**, above.
 - f. RAT positive cases will be guarantined for 10 days followed by PCR test on 8th day.
- 3. <u>Exemption / Waiver</u>. Pakistanis unable to get themselves vaccinated abroad (all categories) due to following reasons are **exempted from mandatory vaccination after producing valid proof** to airline / immigration authorities before boarding: -
 - Expired Visa or illegal immigrants / deportees.
 - b. Medical conditions / issues.
 - c. Pregnant women.
 - d. Passengers between 15 to 18 years of age (exempted till 15 February 2022).
- 4. **Aviation Division / CAA only**. Please ensure staggering of flights (specially flights from Europe) to afford sufficient time for RAT on arrival by **5 January 2022**.
- 5. **CHE Only**. Please ensure following:
 - a. Ensure all inbound passengers arriving via direct flights from Europe and minimum 50% passengers from KSA, UAE and Qatar are tested through RAT at all designated airports in coordination with provincial health / airport authorities.
 - b. Ensure availability of requisite health staff round the clock at all major airports in coordination with provincial health authorities.
 - c. Maintain sufficient stock of RAT kits and allied equipment at designated airports. Kits requirement on the basis of new testing protocols for one month duration be shared with NCOC by 4 January 2022.
- 6. **MoNHSR&C Only**. Ensure availability of additional health care staff at designated airports.
- 7. **Provincial / ICT Administration Only.** Please ensure to arrange following: -

- a. Arrange / manage adequate quarantine facilities (Government / Self-paid) within proximity of major airports.
- b. **Transportation** of RAT positive passengers from airports to designated quarantine facilities.
- c. **Beef up CHE staff with provincial health staff** at respective Airports (on requirement basis) in the province.
- d. **AJK and GB** are requested to assist federating units especially **Rawalpindi and ICT administration** for smooth management of AJK / GB related inbound travelers landing at IIAP.
- 7. <u>MoFA Only</u>. Please disseminate information to all Pakistan High Commissions and Embassies and assign priority for information of Pakistani diaspora.
- 8. **NDMA only**. Please ensure availability of sufficient RAT kits in coordination with NCOC / MoNHSR&C.
- 9. MoIT / NITB. Please ensure uninterrupted / continuous availability of Pass track App.
- 10. Revised air travel plan will be effective from mid night 5 January 2022. Review of Inbound Travel Policy will be carried out at NCOC on 15 February 2022.
- 11. Forwarded for necessary action / priority dissemination to all concerned, please.