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AIR TRANSPORTATION CIRCULAR: FSR-09/2021

SUB: INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER FLIGHT OPERATION TO/FROM BANGLADESH.

Ref: Air Transportation Circular: FSR-06/2021, issued on 05 July 2021.

1. Flight Movement:

Following the government guidance and instruction, **with immediate effect until further notice**, scheduled international passenger flights shall continue as per their approved time slots under Summer-2021 schedule. Mentionable that Air Bubble flights will remain suspended until further notice **issued separately**.

2. Entry of passengers (please see the attachment for the Group of countries) of all flights:

2.1 For the Countries under Group-A:

2.1.1 Passengers vaccinated with Covid-19 vaccine:

Bangladeshi citizen completed full dose (single/double dose as applicable for a full dose) of Covid-19 vaccine before 14 days of the travel date can enter Bangladesh. After arrival they 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.

2.1.2 Passengers not vaccinated with Covid-19 vaccine:

(a) No entry into Bangladesh by any passengers from this group of countries **without having full dose** (single/double dose as applicable for a full dose) of Covid-19 vaccine.

(b) Bangladeshi expatriates residing in this group of countries and Bangladeshi expatriates/citizen **visited** this group of countries 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.

(c) Bangladeshi Seafarers/Engineers of ships, has signed-off from the ships from the countries of this group of countries 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.

2.2 For the Countries under Group-B:

2.2.1 Passengers vaccinated with Covid-19 vaccine:

Passengers completed full dose of Covid-19 vaccine before 14 days of the flight date can travel to Bangladesh and they 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.

2.2.2 Passengers not vaccinated with Covid-19 vaccine:

Passengers not completed full doses of COVID-19 vaccination, 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.

2.2.3 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.**



2.3 For the Countries under Group-C:

2.3.1 Irrespective of the COVID-19 vaccination, any passengers from this group of countries can travel to Bangladesh and they 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.

2.3.2 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.

3. Outgoing passengers of all flights:

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

4. Requirement of PCR test and vaccination:

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

(b) Passengers below 18 years old without full dose of vaccination can travel only with their family.

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).

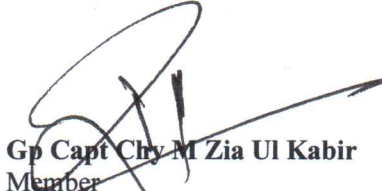
7. Capacity restrictions for all types of flights:

(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.


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Group of Countries

Group A

1. Argentina
2. Botswana
3. Cuba
4. Cyprus
5. Eswatini
6. Georgia
7. Iran
8. Libya
9. Malaysia
10. Mongolia
11. Spain

Group B

1. Brazil
2. Colombia
3. Costa Rica
4. France
5. Iraq
6. Ireland
7. Kazakhstan
8. Kuwait
9. Kyrgyzstan
10. Namibia
11. Netherlands
12. Panama
13. South Africa
14. Thailand
15. Tunisia
16. UK

Group C

All other countries except in
Group A & B.

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