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**Government of India
Ministry of Health & FW**

Consolidated Travel advisory in view of COVID-19

In view of the spurt of cases being reported from China and other countries, travelers are advised the following:

- Indian citizens are advised to refrain from travel to China. People travelling to China henceforth will be quarantined on return.
- Those planning a visit to India from China:
 - Existing visas (including eVisa already issued) are no longer valid for any foreign national travelling from China.
 - Intending visitors may contact Embassy in Beijing (visa.beijing@mea.gov.in) or the Consulates in Shanghai (ccons.shanghai@mea.gov.in) and Guangzhou (visa.guangzhou@mea.gov.in) to apply afresh for an Indian visa.
 - The Indian Embassy in China continues to remain contactable 24x7 on two hotline numbers +8618610952903 & +8618612083629 and the dedicated email helpdesk.beijing@mea.gov.in. Indian nationals in need of any assistance may get in touch with the Embassy on these hotlines and email.
- Indian citizens are further advised to refrain from non-essential travel to the following countries:
 - Singapore
 - Republic of Korea
 - Islamic Republic of Iran
 - Italy
- People coming from Republic of Korea, Iran and Italy or those having history of travel to these countries may be quarantined for 14 days on arrival to India
- For any queries related to health, people may contact on Ministry of Health & Family Welfare 24*7 helpline number (+91-11-23978046) or email at (ncov2019@gmail.com)

- Those having compelling reasons to travel to these countries should follow these simple public health measures **at all times** as under:
 - Observe good personal hygiene.
 - Practice frequent hand washing with soap.
 - Follow respiratory etiquettes - cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing.
 - Avoid close contact with people who are unwell or showing symptoms of illness, such as cough, runny nose etc.
 - Avoid contact with live animals and consumption of raw/undercooked meats.
 - Avoid travel to farms, live animal markets or where animals are slaughtered.
 - Wear a mask if you have respiratory symptoms such as cough or runny nose.

- If you feel sick on flight, while traveling back to India:
 - Inform the airlines crew about illness.
 - Seek mask and the self-reporting format from the airline crew.
 - Avoid close contact with family members or fellow travelers.
 - Follow the directions of airline crew while disembarking.
 - Immediately report facts to the Airport Health Office/Immigration Office and Helpline number (011-23978046) also.
 - Follow the direction of the airport health officer or as issued by the helpline.

- If you feel sick within a span of 28 days after return from COVID-19 affected areas:
 - Immediately call the Helpline number (011-23978046) and follow the direction issued.
 - Maintain effective self-isolation at home and with others.
 - Observe good personal hygiene.
 - Practice frequent hand washing with soap.
 - Follow respiratory etiquettes - cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing.
 - Report the illness to the nearest health facility and also inform the treating doctor regarding your travel history.