## No. 1/CA/COVID-19/2019-2020/01

## ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION

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Port Blair, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021

## **ORDER**

In pursuance of Ministry of Civil Aviation's Letter No. AV. 13011/5/2017-DT(RCS) – MOCA dated 16/07/2021 read with Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India dated 25.08.2021 for domestic travel by flight/train/ship etc., and with the approval of Competent Authority, the Andaman and Nicobar Administration, in supersession of its earlier order dated 23.12.2020, shall implement the following SOP with effect from 25/09/2021

- 1. All asymptomatic passengers who have been vaccinated with both doses of the COVID 19 vaccine and 15 days have lapsed since the administration of second dose of the vaccine and are in possession of the final vaccination certificate issued through the COWIN portal are exempted from mandatory requirement of carrying a negative RTPCR report to travel to Port Blair from Mainland and also such passengers will be exempted from undergoing additional RTPCR test on arrival at Port Blair airport. Such passengers shall also have to produce the ID card /document mentioned in the Vaccination Certificate, for verification.
- 2. Passengers who are found symptomatic on arrival at Port Blair, irrespective of their vaccination status shall be subjected to RTPCR / Rapid Antigen Test at the airport terminal to aid identification.
- 3. All other passengers viz. unvaccinated, partially vaccinated (those who have taken only 1<sup>st</sup> dose of COVID vaccine) and those who have taken both doses, but have not completed 15 days since the administration of 2<sup>nd</sup> dose, shall have to produce negative RT-PCR report to travel to Port Blair from mainland, as is the practice now. They will also undergo additional RT-PCR test on arrival at Port Blair.

Despite above exemption, it is mandated that all passengers, irrespective of status of vaccination, shall scrupulously follow COVID Appropriate Behaviour (wearing mask, maintaining social distancing etc.) at all times.

Commissioner-cum-Secretary (CA/Health)

To

- 1. The Airport Director, VSI Airport, Port Blair.
- 2. Station Managers of all Airlines, Port Blair with request to inform the Originating Stations to comply with the above order.

## Copy to:

- 1. PS to Chief Secretary, A & N Islands, Port Blair.
- 2. Secretary (Health), A&N Administration, Port Blair
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Port Blair for necessary action
- 4. The SP, South Andaman/Immigration.
- 5. The Director (Health Services), A&N Administration, Port Blair, for necessary action