

**Standard Operating Protocol (SoP) for movement of Indian Nationals stranded in Serbia**

There are some Indian Nationals who came to Serbia before the imposition of COVID-19 lockdown in India on various purposes such as employment, studies/internships, tourism, business etc. and are currently stranded in Serbia. Some of them are desirous of returning to India urgently.

2. In order to facilitate the movement of such Indian Nationals, the following SoP is hereby laid down:

I. Such persons will register themselves with Embassy of India, Belgrade along with necessary details as explained in this SoP.

II. While registering themselves, Indians will provide personal details such as name, gender, age, Indian Passport No., domicile State in India, complete address in Serbia with telephone and mobile No., complete address in India with telephone and mobile no., COVID Test Report, professional skill set, the compelling reason for going to India etc. as mentioned in the attached Evacuation Sheet.

III. They will travel to India by non scheduled commercial flights or naval ships.

IV. Priority will be given to compelling cases in distress, including migrant workers/labourers who have been laid off, short term visa holders faced with expiry of visas, persons with medical emergency/pregnant women/elderly, those required to return to India due to death of family member, and students.

V. The cost of travel as specified Indian authorities will be borne by such travellers.

VI. Flight details i.e. schedule, day, time of the flight will be made available two days in advance.

VII. Before boarding, all travellers shall give an undertaking that they would undergo mandatory institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days on arrival in India, at their cost.

VIII. All travellers will also be required to give an undertaking that they are making the journey at their own risk.

IX. At the time of boarding the flight/ship, there will be thermal screening as per health protocol. Only asymptomatic travellers would be allowed to board the flight/ship.

X. Self-declaration form (with health and personal details) in duplicate will be filled in advance by all passengers coming from any point of entry and a copy of the same will be given to Health and Immigration officials present at the airport/seaport/landport.

XI. While on board the flight/ship, the health protocol will be strictly followed. This would include wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. to be observed by airline/ship staff, crew and all passengers.

XII. On arrival, thermal screening, as per health protocol, would be carried out in respect of all the passengers by the Health officials present at the airport/seaport/landport.

XIII. All passengers shall be asked to download *ArogyaSetu app* on their mobile devices.

XIV. The passengers found to be symptomatic during screening shall be immediately taken to medical facility as per health protocol.

XV. The remaining passengers shall be taken to suitable institutional quarantine facilities, to be arranged by the respective State/UT Governments. These facilities may be as far as possible, in the district headquarters, of the district to which the arriving passengers belongs.

XVI. These passengers shall be kept under institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days.

XVII. If they test negative after 14 days, they will be allowed to go home and will undertake self-monitoring of their health for 14 more days as per protocol. The remaining persons will be shifted to the medical facility by the State/UT Government.

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