

Coronavirus Update

Date – 21st September 2021

BHUTAN

Bhutan's Himalayan kingdom has given second doses of COVID-19 immunizations to most of its eligible population in under a week. In the recent few weeks, there have been no new COVID instances in Bhutan. As of now, there is only one active case in the country.

In addition, 198,900 Pfizer vaccinations have come in the country for youngsters aged 12 to 17.

The Tourism Council of Bhutan has stated that any fully vaccinated visitor can enter the country following the successful vaccination drive but with 14 days quarantine.

The country's COVID protocols have also been eased. The lowering of the number of days in quarantine from 21 to 14 for the first time since the country closed its international borders is a significant relief.

The Tourism taskforce is trying to appeal to the government for waiver of the SDF and we will keep you informed of any progress.

The following rules and restrictions apply to tourists in Bhutan:-

- 14 days quarantine at a facility for fully vaccinated travelers only.
- Entry allowed only for those via air travel
- Minimum daily package rate will be applicable after the mandatory quarantine period.
- The sustainable development fee will only be applicable during the quarantine period in addition to the accommodation and food costs.
- Bear all costs for COVID-19 tests along with COVID insurance coverage.

- Produce a COVID negative certificate issued by a laboratory after taking a RT-PCR test 72 hrs. before your journey to the country.
- Strictly follow COVID-19 protocols established by the government and the authorities.

The number of corona virus cases in Bhutan is now as follows:

Overall Data (Updated on 21st September 2021)

| Total Cases | Infected (Active) | Recovered | Deaths |
|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 2,597 | 1 | 2,593 | 3 |

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