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Government of India
Ministry of Civil Aviation

Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan
Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi,
10th August , 2020

To,

Directorate General of Civil Aviation
[Kind attn.: Shri Sunil Kumar, DDG]
Opp. Safdarjung Airport
New Delhi.

Subject: Passengers eligible to travel in flights operating under air bubbles/air travel arrangements

Sir,

Reference may kindly be made to MHA's OM No.25022/24/2020-F.V/F.I dated 7th August, 2020 permitting certain categories of foreign nationals to enter India and Indian nationals to visit other countries.

2. In view of the above both the Indian and foreign carriers are now permitted to carry the following passengers on their flights being operated between India and their respective countries:

I. United States of America

A. Inbound flights into India:

- a) stranded Indian nationals,
- b) all Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders holding US passports, and
- c) foreigners (including diplomats) holding valid visa issued by an Indian Mission in any category covered under Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) guidelines dated 30.06.2020.

B. Outbound flights from India:

- a) Any Indian national holding any type of valid US visa. It would be for the airlines concerned to ensure that there is no travel restriction for Indian nationals to enter USA with the particular visa category before issue of ticket/ boarding pass to the Indian passenger.
- b) US citizens, legal permanent residents, and foreign nationals holding valid US visas.
- c) Seamen of foreign nationalities; Seamen holding Indian passports would be allowed subject to clearance from the Ministry of Shipping.

II. Canada

A. Inbound flights into India:

- a) stranded Indian nationals,
- b) all Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders holding Canadian passports, and
- c) foreigners (including diplomats) holding valid visa issued by an Indian Mission in any category covered under Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) guidelines dated 30.06.2020.

B. Outbound flights from India:

- a. Stranded Canadian nationals/residents.
- b. Any Indian national holding any type of valid Canadian visa. It would be for the airlines concerned to ensure that there is no travel restriction for Indian nationals to enter Canada with the particular visa category before issue of ticket/ boarding pass to the Indian passenger.
- c. Seamen of foreign nationalities; Seamen holding Indian passports would be allowed subject to clearance from the Ministry of Shipping.

III. United Kingdom

A. Inbound flights into India:

- a) stranded Indian nationals,
- b) all Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders holding British passports, and
- c) foreigners (including diplomats) holding valid visa issued by an Indian Mission in any category covered under Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) guidelines dated 30.06.2020.

B. Outbound flights from India:

- a. Stranded UK nationals/residents, foreign nationals transiting through UK or spouses of these persons, whether accompanying or otherwise.
- b. Any Indian national holding any type of valid UK visa and destined for UK only. It would be for the airlines concerned to ensure that there is no travel restriction for Indian nationals to enter UK with the particular visa category before issue of ticket/ boarding pass to the Indian passenger.
- c. Seamen of foreign nationalities; Seamen holding Indian passports would be allowed subject to clearance from the Ministry of Shipping.

IV. United Arab Emirates (UAE)

A. Inbound flights into India:

- a. stranded Indian nationals,
- b. all Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders holding UAE passports, and

- c. UAE nationals (including diplomats) holding valid visa issued by an Indian Mission in any category covered under Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) guidelines dated 30.06.2020.

B. Outbound flights from India:

- a. UAE nationals.
- b. ICA approved UAE residents destined for UAE only
- c. Any Indian national holding any type of valid UAE visa and destined for UAE only. It would be for the airlines concerned to ensure that there is no travel restriction for Indian nationals to enter UAE with the particular visa category before issue of ticket/ boarding pass to the Indian passenger.
3. DGCA may kindly bring the above changes to the notice of Indian and relevant foreign airlines and take further necessary action accordingly.

Yours faithfully



(Anup Pant)

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