

India Covid & other updates

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India sustains the continued trend of consistent decline in new COVID-19 cases recorded in the last one week, with the Health Ministry data released showing 45,148 fresh cases of coronavirus. With this, the total Covid cases in India have crossed 79,09,959 and recovery rate soared past 90.23 per cent today, taking the total recoveries to 71,37,228 people. The fatality rate has dropped further to 1.50 per cent, resulting 1,19,014 deaths as of today.

Internationally, India has now extended air travel bubbles to 18 nations which are US, UK, Germany, France, the UAE, Maldives, Canada, Japan, Bahrain, Afghanistan, Nigeria, Qatar, Iraq, Oman, Bhutan, Kenya, Bangladesh and Ukraine. Talks are going on for including even more nations.

In a big move to get air travel back on track, the government has restored the validity of all existing visas, nearly eight months after they were suspended in the wake of the virus crisis and the nationwide lockdown. Now Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card holders and foreign nationals can visit India for any purpose, except on tourist visa.

With a new hope of revival, Jet Airways has got a fresh lease of life from entrepreneur Murari Lal Jalan. We are hopeful that the airline will soon be restored to its former glory.

International jury comprising representatives from UNWTO, UN Environment Programme, International Union for Conservation of Nature, and Foundation of Environment Education has named 8 Indian beaches as Blue Flag certified including Kappad (Kerala), Rushikonda (AP), Golden (Odisha), Ghoghla (Diu), Kasarkod and Padubidri (Karnataka), Radhanagar (Andaman & Nicobar Islands) and Shivrajpur (Gujarat). These certification are given to the beaches that meet the stringent sustainable benchmarks, environmental protection by the FEE.

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