## No. L-21021/35/2023-CIHD

भारत सरकार/Government of India

स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय/Ministry of Health and Family Welfare स्वास्थ्य सेवा महानिदेशालय/Directorate General of Health Services केंद्रीय आई. एच. विभाग /Central IH Division

\*\*\*

निर्माण भवन, नई दिल्ली Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi दिनांक/Dated the 14th June, 2023

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Implementation of the recommendations made by the expert committee as permitted by Hon'ble Supreme Court vide Order dated 29.03.2023 on Civil Appeal No. 79-87/2019- regarding.

Persuant to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 29.03.2023 (copy enclosed) on the Civil Appeal No. 79-81/2019 permitting the Union Government to issue necessary directions based on the expert committee report, the Airport Health Organisations (APHOs) are requested to implement the recommendations as mentioned in the report (Annexure I), and to circulate the same to the concerned stakeholders at respective Points of Entry.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

(Dr. S. Senthilnathan)
Addl. DDG (IH)
011-2306 3540

To:

All APHOs concerned (List attached)

Copy for information to:

- 1. PSO to DGHS, Dte.GHS, Nirman Bhawan, Delhi
- 2. PPS to DDG (IH), Dte.GHS, Nirman Bhawan, Delhi
- 3. Technical Unit, CIHD with a request to upload the same in the Central International Health Division website (https://www.ihpoe.mohfw.gov.in)

The recommendations of the Expert Committee on Aircraft Disinsection are as under:

- i. Residual disinsection of aircraft is superior than other procedures and is recommended.
- ii. Pre-embarkation treatment of cabin and cargo may be undertaken for the flights arriving in India on single sector (non-stop flights).
- iii. Pre-departure disinsection for the flights arriving in India from transit countries (Multisector) endemic for vector-borne diseases (like Yellow Fever etc.) to be undertaken.
- iv. The disinsection procedure at the destination airport may be undertaken as per the regulatory requirement of that country.
- v. Vector Surveillance and control activities around the aircraft bay to be undertaken to keep free from mosquito breeding
- vi. Routine health monitoring surveillance of crew members may also include information on adverse health effects of disinsection.
- vii. The used cans of insecticidal spray for the aircraft along with GD to be submitted on arrival in India to identified designated authorities as a proof.
- viii. The health section of the GD form should also provide information on symptoms of adverse effect due to insecticide spray to any passenger or crew member, if any.
  - ix. For the method of disinsection of aircraft recommended above, WHO guidelines to be followed.
  - x. India should also develop detailed SOP for disinsection of aircraft and vector surveillance activities in and around airport, based on WHO recommendations and best practices followed by other countries.
  - xi. The monitoring/ periodic assessment of the disinsection practices can be undertaken by the Ministry of Health and time to time the recommendations may be updated accordingly.

S. Samut. Hamit 14:06.2013 No.L-21021/35/2023-CIHD (FTS: 8219926)
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Department of Health & Family Welfare
(International Health Division)

Room No.-430 C Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110011 Dated: May, 2023

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject**: Implementation of the recommendations made by the expert committee as permitted by Hon'ble Supreme Court vide Order dated 29.03.2023 on Civil Appeal No. 79-81/2019 – reg

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 29.03.2023 (copy enclosed) on Civil Appeal No. 79-81/2019 permitting the Union Government to issue necessary directions on the basis of the report (Copy enclosed). Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) is requested to implement the recommendations as mentioned in the report, and to circulate the same to the concerned Ministries and airlines.

**2.** This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl. as above

Signed by

Dharminder Singh

Date: 26-05-2023 16:52:12

(Dharminder Singh)

Under Secretary to Government of India

Contact: 011-23062666

Email: S.dharminder@nic.in

To

Ministry of Civil Aviation [Kind Attention: Smt. Anjali Mathur, Under Secretary] Co-ordination Section Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan Block B, Jorbagh Safdarjung Airport Area, New Delhi - 110003 [Contact: 24616025, Email: anjalimathur.15@gov.in]

## Copy to

- a. Under Secretay, Coordination Division, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jorbagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003
- b. DGHS, Directorate General of Health Services, Nirman Bhawan,

1/3591960/2023

New Delhi -110011