



**Abstract**

Disaster Management - Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) - Infection prevention and control - Notification issued - **3rd addendum** sent by Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs - Amendment to Notification - Issued.

**REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT**  
**Disaster Management Wing, DM II Section**

G.O.(Ms)No.178

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**Read:**

1. G.O.Ms.No. 152/Health and Family Welfare (P1) Department dated 23.3.2020.
2. G.O.(Ms) No. 172 Revenue and Disaster Management Department DM II Section, dated 25.3.2020.
3. G.O.(Ms) No. 174 Revenue and Disaster Management Department DM II Section, dated 28.3.2020
4. From the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, 3rd Addendum-Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated: 2.4.2020
5. From the Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Letter No. OCI/ 563/ 2020, dated 3.4.2020

**NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS in supersession of G.O. first read above, orders have been issued in the order second read above on effective and immediate measures need to be continued to prevent and contain the spread COVID-19 applicable through the State with effect from 25.3.2020 which came into force for a period of 21 days with effect from 25.3.2020.

WHEREAS based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Addendum to Guidelines sent by the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs vide its Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 24.3.2020, notification has been issued amending

the order second referred above vide GO.Ms.No.174, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-II) Department, dated 28.3.2020.

WHEREAS the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has now stated that the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs has issued notification in the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above and thereby issued the 3<sup>rd</sup> Addendum and addendum has been got reconciled with the G.O.2<sup>nd</sup> read above and sent the amendment proposal to the G.O.2<sup>nd</sup> read above.

NOW THEREFORE the State Government of Tamil Nadu based on the proposal of Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Revenue Administration issues following amendment to GO.Ms.No.172, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-II) Department, dated: 25.3.2020.

**A. the sub-clause (g) in exception to clause 6 may be added.**

(g) Transit arrangements for foreign national (s) in India.  
(as per attached SOP)

**B. the sub-clause (a) in exception to clause 12 may be added.**

(a) Release of quarantined persons, who have arrived in India after 15.02.2020, after expiry of their quarantine period and being tested Covid-19 negative (as per attached SOP).

(By order of the Governor)

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## **STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR TRANSIT ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOREIGN NATIONALS STRANDED IN INDIA**

### **Sub-Clause (g) in exception to clause 6**

It has been brought to the notice of this Ministry that a number of foreign nationals are stranded in different parts of the country, due to the lockdown measures. Some foreign countries have approached Government of India for evacuation of their nationals to their countries.

2. In view of the above, it has now been decided that requests received from foreign governments, for evacuation of their nationals from India, would be examined by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India on case to case basis. In cases where such requests are endorsed by MEA, the following protocol would be observed:

- i. The chartered flight would be arranged by the concerned foreign government in consultation with the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India.
- ii. Prior to departure, the foreign national(s) would be screened for COVID-19 symptoms as per the standard health protocol. Only those foreign national(s) would be allowed to leave, who are asymptomatic for COVID-19. In case of symptomatic person(s), the future course of treatment would be followed, as per the standard health protocol.
- iii. The local transportation arrangements from the place of stay of the foreign national(s) to the point of embarkation would be arranged by the local Embassy/Consulate of the respective foreign government.
- iv. The transit pass for movement of the vehicle deployed for movement of the foreign national(s) would be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the foreign national(s) are staying.
- v. The transit pass, as issued above, would be honoured / allowed by the authorities of the State / Union Territories along the transit route.



**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR RELEASE OF QUARANTINED PERSONS, AFTER EXPIRY OF QUARANTINE PERIOD AND TESTED COVID-19 NEGATIVE.**

**Sub-Clause (A) in exception to clause 12**

With a view to preventing spread of COVID-19 and as a measure of abundant precaution, persons returning from foreign locations after 15.02.2020 had been quarantined in government /government – arranged facilities. In respect of these persons, the following protocol would be observed after completion of the specified mandatory quarantine period:

- i. Persons(s) testing negative for COVID-19, and as per standard health protocol, would be released from the said quarantine facility(ies). However, this will not apply to a group, where even one person tests positive for COVID-19.
- ii. These persons are expected to return to their homes, or to the homes of their families/relatives/friends or to other places of shelter like hotels, etc., by making their own transport arrangements.
- iii. The transit pass for movement of vehicle(s), being used by such persons(s), would be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where they have been quarantined.
- iv. The transit pass will be issued for fixed route and with specified validity and such person(s) shall follow the same.
- v. The transit pass, as issued above, would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/Union Territories along the transit route.
- vi. As a measure of abundant caution, upon returning to their destination such persons would home quarantine themselves for a further period of 14 days as per standard protocol on the matter.
- vii. Details of person(s) released from quarantine, along with their destination, will be shared with the concerned State/UT Government for necessary follow up.

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