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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
Foreigners Division
(Immigration Section)
Hall No.18, Open Gallery, MDCNS, New Delhi-1, Dt. 14th March'2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Restriction on international passenger traffic through Land Check Posts in view of the spread of COVID-19.

In partial modification of this Ministry's O.M. of even number dated 13.03.2020 on the above cited subject, the undersigned is directed to inform that the following decisions of the Government shall be implemented with immediate effect in view of the spread of COVID-19 :


1. All types of passenger movements through all the Immigration Land Check Posts located at India-Bangladesh Border, India-Nepal Border, India-Bhutan Border, India-Myanmar Border will be suspended with effect from 00:00 Hours, March 15, 2020 and at India-Pakistan Border with effect from 00:00 Hours, March 16, 2020 till further orders except through the below mentioned posts :

S.No.	Name of the State	Name of the Land ICP to remain operational	Border	Controlled by
1.	Assam	Mankachar (Distt. Dhubri)	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Sutarkandi	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Darranga	India-Bhutan	State Govt.
2.	Bihar	Raxaul	India-Nepal	BOI
3.	Meghalaya	Dalu	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Dawki	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
4.	Mizoram	Kawrpuchhuah	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Zokhawthar	India-Myanmar	State Govt.
5.	Tripura	Agartala	India-Bangladesh	BOI
6.	Uttar Pradesh	Sonouli	India-Nepal	BOI
7.	Uttarakhand	Banbasa	India-Nepal	State Govt.
8.	West Bengal	Changrabandha	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Hilli	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Phulbari	India-Bangladesh	State Govt.
		Ghojadanga	India-Bangladesh	BOI
		Haridaspur	India-Bangladesh	BOI
		Gede	India-Bangladesh	BOI
		Chitpur	India-Bangladesh	BOI
		Raniganj	India-Nepal	State Govt.
		Jaigaon	India-Bhutan	State Govt.

Note: The extant Visa restrictions on foreigners as amended from time to time (except Nepalese and Bhutanese Nationals) shall apply on all the above mentioned Land Immigration Check Posts.

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2. Participation of foreigners in the border haats shall remain suspended with immediate effect until further orders.
3. The operation of existing India-Bangladesh cross border passenger trains and passenger buses shall remain suspended during the period March 15-April 15, 2020.
4. Restrictions mentioned in Para-1 above on the India-Nepal & India-Bhutan Borders shall be applicable only for third country nationals and not to Indian nationals or nationals of Nepal or Bhutan.
5. There will be intensified health inspection at all these entry points and any traveller whether Indian or Nepalese or Bhutanese or from any other country showing COVID-19 symptoms or with a recent travel history to one of seven COVID-19 outbreak countries namely Italy, Iran, China, Spain, France, Germany and Republic of Korea shall be subjected to quarantine in the appropriate facility of State or Central Government.
6. It is further clarified that Diplomats, Officials and UN personnel holding valid Visas may use only ICP Attari for crossing over. They would however be subjected to health screening and if required they may be subjected to quarantine.
7. All further restrictions and preventive measures as stipulated in respect of Immigration of travellers as issued by Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Bureau of Immigration and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare from time to time shall be followed strictly.
8. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.


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To,

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3. Chief Secretaries & Directors General of Police, All States Concerned.
4. Shri Lav Agarwal, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

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