

Press Release

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Kathmandu

The Government of Nepal has announced that scheduled international flights will be allowed to operate in Nepal from Sept. 1, 2020. The schedule will be prepared by Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation ensuring that the number of arrivals do not exceed 500 per day, as per information released by the Spokesperson of the Government of Nepal and Minister of Finance Dr. Yuvaraj Khatiwada.

As per the statement, the Government has also prepared guidelines for the international flights with permission for only chartered and closely monitored scheduled flights for this period till further notice. Repatriation flights, diplomats, expats and international aid officials are allowed to fly into Nepal during the period.

It is mandatory for passengers to be equipped with negative PCR reports not older than 72 hours before boarding. Airlines must ensure that all passengers boarding have tested negative before 72 hours. Passengers will need to stay quarantined in a hotel in Kathmandu for the next 7 days at their own expense.

In case of airlines that carry untested passengers and with PCR negative passengers together, quarantine for all passengers in a designated hotel in Kathmandu shall be arranged at the airline's expense.

As per the statement MoCTCA, shall create a flight schedule to allow flying in from countries where COVID-19 spread is more controlled and PCR tests are easily available. Only chartered flights shall be allowed from countries that do not have easily available PCR testing facilities.

The regular scheduled flights shall be strictly monitored by the Government. It is mandatory for passengers from these flights to carry and produce the following documents before boarding:

- 1. Valid visa/ entry permit
- 1. PCR negative test report not older than 72 hours
- 2. Filled online COVID-19 Crisis Management Center (CCMC) form copy with bar code
- 3. Hotel booking for a minimum of 7 days

For details on the same, please wait for our next update.