

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

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Coronavirus Update – Bhutan

Bhutan has reported its first case of coronavirus after a US tourist tested positive, the Prime Minister Lotay Tshering said today.

The 76-year-old man arrived in Bhutan from India on 2 March and was admitted to the hospital on 5 March with fever, where he tested positive for COVID-19.

The Government has shut down borders to foreign visitors for two weeks with effect from 6th March, 2020 in an effort to limit the impact of the disease.

All international conferences and seminars to be held in the country over the next two weeks have also been postponed.

The Government will reassess the current situation in two weeks and accordingly decide on the restrictions to be implemented.

The Government has restricted tourist movement beyond Thimphu, Paro and Punakha. The itinerary of our clients currently in Bhutan is being adjusted accordingly.

We are keeping a close watch on the situation and assure you of our continued support. You relationship managers remain available 24x7 to take your calls and assist you as required.

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