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Coronavirus Destination Update

As we patiently wait while lockdown measures begin to gradually ease around the world, we know that hopeful travelers remain undeterred, and are actively planning their next trips. Despite the increase in cases, we are also seeing some encouraging development in our region with added precautions: face masks, disinfectant and social distancing.

INDIA

On May 17, the government extended the ongoing nationwide lockdown till May 31. The fourth phase of the lockdown has allowed considerable relaxations in this round of lockdown- Inter-state movement of vehicles, buses have been allowed with states and Union Territories being given the task to delineate Red, Orange and Green zones.

India has been on a strict nationwide lockdown since late March, cases have continued to rise; however, several states including Kerala, Goa, Madhya Pradesh and parts of North East continue to buck that trend.

This week the government announced resumption of domestic commercial passenger flights from May 25, in a calibrated manner with new health and safety guidelines including mandatory social distancing at airports. Please refer to the standard operating procedures ([SOPs](#)) for details. Subsequently, Indian Railways have opened online bookings for passenger train operations and announced a list of 100 trains to run from June 1.

The coronavirus case count in India now stands at 112,359 cases, with 45,299 recovered according to latest health ministry figures. 3,435 people have died due to the virus across the country.

For the latest national updates you may visit <https://www.mygov.in/covid-19/>

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