

## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

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### Coronavirus Destination Update

There is gradual resumption of economic activity in the region with added precautions and decision-making is being reviewed in keeping with the epidemiological pattern of the disease. With ease of restrictions, the coronavirus cases have continued to rise in the region and we are seeing new guidelines being readied in destinations to gear up for the new normal.

#### INDIA

After 68 days of strict nationwide lockdown, beginning June 1, the Government of India announced first phase of the three-phase unlock plan. The fourth phase of the lockdown came to an end. The fifth phase of the lockdown will however continue in containment zones till 30 June.

The following relaxations will happen in phases:

Phase I: Starting June 8, all places of worship, shopping malls, hotels and the hospitality sector, will be permitted to open.

Phase II: To be decided in July. Schools, colleges and other educational institutions will be permitted to open in consultation with states and union territories.

Phase III: To be decided. Resumption of International flights, Metro services, Cinema, Gymnasium, Sports facilities and places of entertainment, will be permitted to open.

India has now permitted certain category of business visa (other than B-3 visa for sports) allowance for foreigners who can enter the country in non-scheduled commercial flights or chartered flights. The foreign nationals shall have to obtain a fresh business visa or employment visa, as applicable, from Indian missions/ posts abroad.

Movement of domestic flights, trains will continue as per SOPs issued. The states are empowered to regulate movement as per the developing situation.

Cyclone Nisarga, which intensified into a "severe cyclonic storm", made a landfall on the Maharashtra coast yesterday, however, it weakened into deep depression by evening. After cyclone, Mumbai's air quality has improved to year's best. Among all states, Maharashtra continues to have the highest number of coronavirus cases

The national recovery rate now stands at 48.19% while the case fatality rate is 2.83%. The coronavirus case count in India now stands at 216,919 cases, with 104,106 recovered according to latest health ministry figures. 6,075 people have died due to the virus.

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