

INDIA

With 5.73M+, cases reported as on 24 September 2020, India currently ranks as the second most-affected country in the world. However, with an approximate recovery rate of over 81.55%, the country is looking to get back on its feet with a graded unlocking process.

Unlock 4.0 – GRADED RE-OPENING

With effect from 1 September, India is now in the process of slowly lifting lockdowns and restrictions in the country except containment zones.

Domestic Travel: There is no restriction on inter-state and intra-state movement of people and goods until 30 September. Movement of passengers by trains, domestic air travel, repatriation via Vande Bharat, and Indian seafarers is allowed with necessary precautions.

International Arrivals: International [air transport bubbles](#) have been established with 13 countries including USA, Canada, UK, France, Germany, UAE, Qatar, Bahrain, Japan, and Maldives for business, medical, and employment purposes only. Negotiations are underway to extend such bubbles with other countries like Australia, New Zealand, Israel, Italy, and Russia.

Recreation: Hotels, bars, shopping malls, and restaurants may operate at full capacity following all applicable social distancing and sanitisation norms. Compulsory quarantine rules have been relaxed or lifted in many states for domestic arrivals. International travellers are still required to follow government prescribed protocols for testing and quarantine.

Monuments: Taj Mahal & Agra Fort has reopened for visitors from 21 September. Initially only 5,000 tourists will be allowed to visit Taj Mahal & 2,500 at Agra Fort on daily basis. ASI & private monuments have opened for public, however, the final decision to allow entry is at the discretion of the respective state governments.

Please [click here](#) for the latest updates.

FUTURE READY

“To be prepared is half the victory.” – Miguel de Cervantes

We have been equipping ourselves with better than before product and destination knowledge during these weeks. Webinars with in-house and external experts on topics ranging from Wines, Museums, Bird watching, to Cuisines, and virtual FAMs to South and Central India take care of information enhancement. Learning Shots are being conducted by the organisation to provide people with the right skillset for post-Covid life.

While knowledge and learning are important, the organisation also understands the necessity for unwinding within the formal structure. Weekly quizzes, fun virtual activities like cooking competitions and interactive online games have been hosted to keep things light and breezy.

We are proud to announce the receipt of the **World Travel Trade Council's Safe Travels Stamp**. This stamp allows travellers to recognise governments and companies around the world that have adopted health and hygiene global standardised protocols. This initiative lets consumers experience 'Safe Travels'.

To know more about our proposed post-Covid preparations, please [click here](#).

See you on the other side soon!