

## **Destination Updates** as on 17 March 2022

## INDIA

Cheer is making a comeback as India will resume scheduled commercial flight operations to/from international destinations effective March 27, restarting unrestricted travel after two years and for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic began.

The international flight operations will be subject to adherence to the guidelines for international traveller issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India on the 10th of February. Please see the <u>updated guidelines for international traveller</u>.

Another piece of good news – India has decided to restore all categories of tourist visas that have been suspended since March 2020 for foreign nationals of 156 countries. Things have started rolling and we are looking forward to a good winter this year.

This week, Holi, also known as the festival of colours, marks the arrival of the spring season in the Indian subcontinent. It appears to be adding colours to the domestic tourism business. With a drastic drop in the number of cases, the festival has resulted in a huge surge in hotel and airline bookings this weekend.

Over 1.8 billion COVID-19 vaccine doses have been administered in India, including first, second, and precautionary doses, with over 1.7 million people inoculated in the last 24 hours.

For detailed and latest updates on vaccination and number of cases, please click here.



