

**Mormugao Port Trust
Traffic Department**

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**Sub: STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) TO HANDLE CORONA VIRUS AT
MORMUGAO PORT**

The following Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) shall be in place with immediate effect for all cruise/cargo vessels arriving at Mormugao Port.

1. CRUISE VESSELS:

- (i) Shipping Agent/Master of Vessels to submit all documents related to crew and passengers regarding their travel to/from the affected country (China) and other South-east Asian countries.
- (ii) The information shall be provided for each vessel and should be as per guidelines of Ministry of Health issued from time to time.
- (iii) For the passengers who have visited China in the last One (1) month, shore excursions will not be allowed.
- (iv) For the passengers showing symptoms of virus, no excursion to be allowed. However if required, such passengers shall be taken to Cottage Hospital-Chicalim which is a designated centre as per Directorate of Health Services, Goa. In severe cases, patients/passengers to be referred to higher centre (Goa Medical College).

2. CARGO VESSELS:

- (i) Vessel Agent/Master of Foreign vessels coming from countries affected by 2019-CoV (Corona Virus) of China shall inform Harbour Master (HM)/Port Health Officer (PHO) through E-mail about crews suspected case of Corona Virus Infection with details like Name, Nationality, Age, Sex, Symptoms, History of previous advice.
- (ii) If no sick person is reported by the Vessel agent/Master of Vessel, Harbour Master (HM) shall allow Pratique to the vessel.
- (iii) Shipping Agent/ Master of Vessel shall also submit a declaration to the Port authority and PHO regarding the suspected sickness, if any, of the crew or passenger.
- (iv) PHO to scrutinize the list and will board the vessel before other agencies, if suspected sickness is declared by Shipping Agent or Master of Vessel.
- (v) If suspected sickness is reported, such passengers shall not be allowed to land on the shore i.e. no shore permits will be issued and CMO, MPT/PHO, MRH shall be informed.

- (vi) On getting above information, Vessel agent shall arrange to shift the sick person to isolation facility of such Hospital as directed by the PHO/CMO, MPT.
- (vii) Pilot will board the vessel with PPE's, on all vessels originating from China or South-east Asia and also report, if any symptomatic patient is reported on the board.
- (viii) In case of any suspected sickness of crew/s, if confirmed by PHO, such crew members shall be referred to a Hospital as directed by the PHO/CMO, MPT.
- (ix) For crew members, who have visited China in the last one month, no shore excursions will be allowed.
- (x) For crew members showing symptoms of the virus, no excursion to be allowed and if required to be taken to a Hospital as directed by the PHO/CMO, MPT.
- (xi) For a vessel coming from China, with Chinese crew, no shore permits shall be issued to the crew.
- (xii) For vessels coming from China, with Non-Chinese crew, such crew to be screened for symptoms and shore permit to be issued to crew members, who does not have any symptoms of sickness.

Prevention is better than cure and therefore, it is urged that extreme caution be exercised by all.


TRAFFIC MANAGER

To,

- 1) Mormugao Port Vessel Agents Association] With a request to circulate the information
- 2) Mormugao Port Stevedores Association] among all the members of your Association
] and your principals.

Copy for kind information to:

- 1. Port Health Officer, Mormugao
- 2. Bureau of Immigration (BoI), Mormugao Harbour, Goa
- 3. Chairman's Secretariat / Dy. Chairman's Secretariat/CMO/ Dy. Conservator & PFSO/ Dy. Commandant, CISF
- 4. Dy. TM /Manager (Ops)