

**High Commission of India
Abuja (Nigeria)**

COVID-19: Notice to Indian nationals in Nigeria, Benin and Chad in distress and desirous of returning to India urgently

Government of India has begun the process of formal registration to enable Indian nationals to return to India on genuine, compelling grounds, at their own cost. Priority will be given to compelling cases in distress, including migrant workers/labourers who have been laid off, short term visa holders faced with expiry of visas, persons with medical emergency, pregnant women, elderly, students and those required to return to India due to death of a family member. Those who meet this criterion are requested to fill up the registration form at the weblink <https://forms.gle/Fc3WnDEu3pgyzSn79> .

2. The purpose of this registration form is only collection of information to enable the Government of India to plan for return of Indians from abroad in COVID-19 situation. The decision on resumption of passenger flights to India will be taken in due course and any announcement in this regard will be made on our website and social media channels.

3. This form is to be filled for a single individual at a time. For families, a separate form may be filled for each member. Similarly, for companies, a separate form may be filled for each employee.

4. All rules and regulations of Government of host Country on departure and Government of India on arrival will need to be strictly followed especially those related to COVID-19. All conditions for travel, including those prescribed later, will need to be followed. Before boarding, passengers could be expected to carry a COVID-19 negative certificate from an authorized agency/centre. Only asymptomatic travelers will be allowed to board the flight.

5. It is therefore requested that all Indian nationals in Nigeria, Benin and Chad who would like to return to India for genuine compelling reasons may kindly fill up the Registration Form at the above weblink latest by Sunday, 10 May 2020, 2000 hrs West Africa Time.

6. All Indian nationals desirous of returning to India under the above arrangement shall bear the cost of travel, as may be specified by Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India, and shall give an undertaking that they would undergo mandatory institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days, on arrival in India at their own cost, and that they would be making the journey at their own risk.

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