

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM ITANAGAR

No. TOU(DEV)609/2020 1842

Dated 15th Oct. 2020

NOTIFICATION

In supersession to previous notification vide No. TOU(DEV)609/2020/337 dated 7th Oct 2020 for resuming tourism activities in the state from 15th Oct 2020. The following Standard Operating Procedure for the state of Arunachal Pradesh is issued for strict compliance of all concerned with immediate effect from 15th Oct 2020.

a. Only pre-booked package tours, exclusively through local tours operators of the state will be allowed to operate. All tourist transport & ground handling services - including pick up/ drop will be through the authorized local travel agents/tour operators.

b. Protocol for local tour operator

- i. All tourists should possess a Valid COVID-19 Negative Certificate (RTPCR or True NAT test) from ICMR designated laboratory/facility, not more than 72 hours prior to the date of arrival.
- ii. All tourist and accompanying driver and guide of the tour from outside the state should adhere to COVID-19 inter-state traveller testing protocol issued by the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Arunachal Pradesh vide notification no. Secy(Health)SOP-11/2020/120 dated 31st Aug 2020 and no. Secy(Health)SOP-11/2020 dated 30th Sep 2020. (Mandatory RAT test will be done only once at the initial entry check gate of the state).
- iii. While applying for tourist Inner Line Permit, following documents should be submitted.
 - Valid COVID-19 negative certificate of tourist 1.
 - Tour booking slip 2.
 - Tour itinerary with details of place of visit and stay 3.
 - Details of vehicle, driver, and tour guide information 4.
- All places of stay for tourist should be preferably at the accommodation outside the iv. main town area or any populated area. Accommodation like tourist lodges and hotels currently used as COVID quarantine center or have been used as a quarantine center in the past 30 days should not be used for tourist's stay.

c. Protocol for visiting tourist

- Tourist should strictly observe social distancing norms with a physical distance of 2 meters (6 feet) per person. Family groups can stay together if they ensure that they are at least 2 meters (6 feet) away from any other individuals or family groups.
- Tourist should wear a protective face mask while within the premises of any tourist destination.
- Tourist should frequently wash hands or use hand sanitizers. While facility iii. management shall provide for soaps/sanitizer at common places, tourists should carry their own sanitizer and wet wipe.
- iv. All payments should be done through digital modes, wherever possible.
- Spitting in public areas is strictly prohibited.
- Use of the Aarogya Setu app is mandatory for tourist, tour guide, and driver. vi.
- Persons above 65 years of age, persons with comorbidities, pregnant women, and vii. children below the age of 10 years are not permitted to enter the state as tourists.
- d. All authorized tour operators, homestays, hotels, lodges, resorts, and other tourism establishments to strictly adhere to operational recommendations provided by the Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India.

Annexure-I: Operational Recommendations for B&B/Homestay/Farmstay by MoT. Annexure-II: Operational Recommendations for Hotels by MoT.

Annexure-III: Operational Recommendations for Restaurants by MoT.

e. In addition, Standard Operating Procedure (SOPs) issued by the state government for management of COVID-19 positive person from time to time should be strictly adhered by the tourists and tourism service providers.

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- 2. The PPS to Hon'ble Chief Minster, Arunachal Pradesh for kind information please. 3. The PPS to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Arunachal Pradesh for kind information please.
- 4. The PS to All Hon'ble Ministers, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for kind information please. 5. The US to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for kind information please.
- 6. All Principal Secretaries/ All Secretaries/ All Dy. Commissioners/ All DRCs Govt. of
- Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. 7. The Director Tourism, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action
- 8. All District Tourism officers/ Tourism Information Officers, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for
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