

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

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Health.No.94/2020/102

Dated Shillong, the 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

**NOTIFICATION**

**Subject: Exemption of Foreign Dignitaries, Union Ministers, Government Officials and others authorized by the State Government from COVID-19 testing and quarantine.**

Consequent to Unlock 3.0 Guidelines of Government of India, there are various categories of officials and persons who require to visit the State for official purposes but are reluctant to do so in view of stringent COVID-19 testing protocols of the State. This is hampering the progress of development activities in the State. Therefore, in order to facilitate entry for such persons in the interest of the State, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to exempt the following categories of persons from COVID-19 testing at the entry points and quarantine:

1. Visiting Constitutional Authorities
2. Visiting VVIPs, Government of India officials
3. Visiting State Government officials
4. Persons belonging to the category of officials of investigation/ intelligence/ agencies such as National Investigation Agency, Central Bureau of Investigation/ Enforcement Directorate, Intelligence Bureau who are on official/covert visits and Income Tax Department officials on official visits.
5. Any other category of persons as may be decided by the State Government based on official exigency.

**Stipulations:**

1. The duration of stay in the State shall not normally exceed 72 hours.
2. The Deputy Commissioners of the concerned Districts to which the above category of persons are bound to will be informed in advance.
3. The visiting Dignitaries/officials will register on the Arogya Setu and during the period of stay will follow all the health safety protocols confining their movement to their place of work.
4. Symptomatic dignitaries / officials will require to undergo COVID-19 Testing as per the State Health Protocol.

This SOP is issued in partial modification of Notification No. Health.94/2020/100 dated 27-10-2020 and will be implemented throughout the State with immediate effect until further orders.

Sd/-

(Sampath Kumar, IAS)

Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department

To:

1. The Deputy Commissioners, East Khasi Hills, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin/ Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh / West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai / West Garo Hills District, Tura / East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar / South Garo Hills District, Baghmara/North Garo Hills, Resubelpara/South West Garo Hills, Ampati/East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat/ South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat for information and compliance.
2. The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Meghalaya, Shillong, for information and compliance.

3. The Director of Health Services (MI)/(MCH &FW)/(Research), Meghalaya, Shillong for information and compliance
4. Joint Director of Health Services (MCH & F W) I/c IDSP, Meghalaya, Shillong for information and compliance
5. The District Medical & Health Officer- East Khasi Hills, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin/Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh / West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai / West Garo Hills District, Tura / East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar / South Garo Hills District, Bagmara/North Garo Hills, Resubelpara/South West Garo Hills, Ampati/East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat/ South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat for information and compliance.

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Copy to :-

1. The Secretary to the Governor of Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of the Governor.
2. The Private Secretary to Chief Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Chief Minister.
3. The Private Secretary to Deputy Chief Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Deputy Chief Minister.
4. The Private Secretary to the Speaker, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly for kind information of the Speaker.
5. The Private Secretary to the Leader of Opposition, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly for kind information of the Leader of Opposition.
6. The Private Secretary to Health Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Minister.
7. Private Secretaries to all Ministers, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind of Minister.
8. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
9. The Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries/ Commissioners & Secretaries/ Secretaries of all the Department, Government of Meghalaya.
10. The Director General of Police, Meghalaya, Shillong
11. The Director of Information & Public Relation for wide circulation in the Print/Electronic media of the State.
12. All Administrative Department/Heads of Department.

By order, etc.

  
Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department

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