

Central Adoption Resource Authority

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Subject: Travel Advisory for Adoptive Parents traveling to India to pick up their children after completion of all legal formalities as per Adoption Regulations, 2017.

India has eased lockdown restrictions imposed due to COVID-19 global pandemic and consequently adoptive parents have started to come to India to take their children back home, adoptive parents are advised to plan their trip well in advance and adhere to the following:-

- (a) Please check the website of the Bureau of Immigration, Ministry of Home affairs for travel and visa restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Website https://boi.gov.in/content/coronavirus-related-visa-restrictionsand-conditions-entry-india
- guidelines For health please visit the Ministry Health websitehttps://main.mohfw.gov.in/diseasealerts/novel-corona-virus
- 2. It is also necessary that adoptive parents must check with their airlines regarding flying norms and avoid transiting through a third country as far as possible. Notably India has entered into air bubble travel agreements with many countries. Adoptive parents should also keep in mind that when departing from India they would be traveling back with their child and travel permissions must be taken early on.
- 3. Domestic travel within India should also be planned as each State would have their own advisories related COVID-19 safety protocols. The best way to deal with this would be to ask the SAA about the latest guidelines or to check the concerned State Government websites.
- 4. Wearing of masks is compulsory in all public places. There are strict restrictions on large gatherings. Please download the Aarogya Setu application, it is a mobile application developed by the Government of India.It is recommended that parents do a COVID-19 test before they board from their country to pick up the child. This would be in the welfare of both the adoptive parents and the child.
- 5. Please check CARAs website periodically for any further circulars regarding adoption related travel.

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