



THE GOVERNMENT OF REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SPORTS

Announcement of precautionary restrictions for travellers from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland visiting Myanmar to prevent spread of the new SARS-CoV-2 variant

31st December 2020

1. On 21st December 2020, World Health Organization announced that health authorities of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland identified the new SARS-CoV-2 variant through viral genomic sequencing that may spread more readily between people.
2. In light of the above scenario, the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar is obliged to take precautionary measures to control and limit the risk of transmission of the new SARS-CoV-2 variant to Myanmar. The travellers from the affected countries may pose a threat to the population in Myanmar.
3. Therefore, Ministry of Health and Sports will implement travel ban to residents of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and travelers who had visited the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland during the last 14 days, from visiting Myanmar. The temporary restrictive measures will take effect starting from 31st December 2020, 2359 hours MST.
4. The Ministry of Health and Sports is continuously monitoring the global epidemiological situation on COVID-19 and especially the transmission pattern of the new SARS-CoV-2 variant and will make further announcement on additional precautionary measures as and when necessary.

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